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## Avalanche safety a matter of knowledge, judgment

With the recent avalanche accidents, including one fatality, in Tuckerman Ravine, Forest Service snow rangers at the White Mountain National Forest Mount Washington Avalanche Center remind winter enthusiasts to check the daily avalanche forecast before venturing into Tuckerman and Huntington ravines on Mt. Washington.

Snow rangers head up Mt. Washington early each day throughout the winter and spring to collect snow and weather data needed to forecast the avalanche danger for the day. They assign a Danger Level using the United States Five-Scale Danger Rating System that describes the hazard of natural and human-triggered avalanches under the current and predicted conditions. Danger levels are posted on colored slate boards on the Tuckerman Ravine trailhead at Pinkham Notch, at the base of Tuckerman Ravine at Hermit Lake, and at the Harvard Cabin below Huntington Ravine. The daily avalanche bulletin is widely distributed and posted on the Web ([www.tuckerman.org](http://www.tuckerman.org)) to be used by people as they make their backcountry plans.

The Danger Rating defines a range of avalanche probability, possible triggers, the degree and distribution of danger, and recommended actions for backcountry visitors.

Ninety-five percent of avalanche accidents are triggered by the people involved and can happen even when the danger rating is low.

Low danger (green) means that natural avalanches are very unlikely and human-triggered avalanches are unlikely except in isolated pockets. Travel is generally safe but normal caution is advised. Skill in recognizing unstable snow and changing conditions is advised.

Moderate danger (yellow) means that natural avalanches are unlikely, human-triggered avalanches are possible. Use caution in steeper terrain. Unstable slabs are possible as discussed.

Considerable danger (orange) means that natural avalanches are possible and human-triggered avalanches are probable. Be increasingly cautious in steeper terrain.

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WITH FRESH TRACKS BEHIND HIM, a snow ranger checks the snow pack on Mt. Washington to help determine possible avalanche danger. (Photo: USFS/Mount Washington Volunteer Ski Patrol)

## 'Meet, Greet, Eat' brings cultures of the world together in Bethel

By WENDY ISEMAN

On Monday evening, Dec. 23, the rocking sounds of Latin music were heard on Main Street, Bethel. More than 30 people, many from the Sunday River Ski Resort International Work Program, met with Bethel townspersons at DiCocco's Marketplace.

They were there to kick off a series of International Get-Togethers designed to bring together the young international workers and Bethel citizens for stimulating conversation, cultural exchange, good food, and a rockin' good time.

After the initial ice-breaking conversations with the young workers from Columbia, South Africa, Scotland and Australia — "Where do you come from? How do you like Maine? What do you do in your country? What's your job at Sunday River?" — the music CD's came out of pockets and backpacks and suddenly it was a South American experience, hips swaying with a Latin beat and lots of laughter.

The idea of the get-togethers came about through the yearnings of many Bethel citizens who are "from away" and who miss the more international flavors of cultural diversity they left behind in the big cities. The Human Resources Department at Sunday River was contacted when it was learned that over 115 young people from many different foreign countries come to Sunday River to work for the ski season each year.

Cathi DiCocco donated the DiCocco's Marketplace space and with the support of several members of the Bethel Salon (a group that gets together regularly to discuss books, politics, metaphysics, and movies), the "Meet, Greet, Eat" international experience was born at 6 p.m. two days before Christmas.

With the treats laid out, the wood fire warming the chill evening air, and a big pot of apple cider brewing atop the wood stove, the clock

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## Woman dies in Newry snowmobile accident

Staff and AP reports

A Massachusetts woman was killed while snowmobiling in Newry on Monday, the third snowmobile death in two days in Maine.

Warden Lt. Michael Marshall blamed driver inexperience for the death of Cathy Frasier, 40, of Cutuit, Mass.

The accident happened on a trail about two miles north of Newry Corner, in the Bear River area of town.

Marshall said Frasier was the last in a line of snowmobiles when her machine darted ahead of the others, hit a rock and went airborne. Marshall said she died after hitting

some rocks and trees.

Her husband and two daughters were among the other snowmobilers. The family had recently purchased a vacation home in Newry.

The state recorded the first fatality of the season on Saturday when a teenager from New Gloucester ran into a chain blocking his path.

Sunday night, a Wales man died from his injuries after being run over on Sabatots Pond while out for his evening stroll. Steven Davies, the snowmobile operator who fled the scene, has been charged with manslaughter.

## The top local stories of 2002

### Bethel Water District comes under new scrutiny

By REBECCA ZICARELLI

The Bethel Water District had a turbulent year. It began last January with the ouster of Chairman John Gray. The Board of Selectmen voted 4-1 to replace Gray with Mike Broderick, citing the trustees' ongoing refusal to provide basic information regarding the operation of the district.

Selectman Al Barth summed up the selectmen's frustrations: "Over the past two years, the selectmen, through the Town Manager and individually, wanted some answers to questions about how we could work together and we weren't getting them."

#### Turbidity

Many answers regarding how the district operated were revealed in early summer, when The Citizen began an investigation of a potential link between the district's timber harvesting practices on the land that supplies Bethel Village's drinking water and turbidity — particles of dirt and sediment which cloud the water.

Turbidity has been an ongoing problem for the district. The year before, the district had just received a grant for more than \$40,000 to reduce the turbidity in the water.

That investigation revealed heavy timber harvesting on the land above the reservoir, rutted and eroding roads, petroleum containers litter-

ing the ground, and a bridge where sediments flowed directly into the brook supplying the town's water.

Based on research that shows a direct link between water quality and logging roads, The Citizen questioned a connection between logging and turbidity in the steep Chapman Brook watershed.

At a public meeting held in June, the district maintained that the timber harvesting did not contribute to turbidity.

Their claim was bolstered in part by an inspection by the Maine Forest Service. But the Department of Environmental Protection, which oversees water quality, did not inspect the upper reaches of the watershed where Bethel's drinking water comes from.

#### Excessive logging

But the district's logging practices were a violation of the deed, which places limitations on the district's land in Newry.

In 1925, William Bingham III gave 2,300 acres to the Bethel Water Company, the district's predecessor.

Bingham's deed prohibits timber harvesting except to raise the money necessary for paying taxes.

The Citizen's investigation showed the district had logged the land in excess of Bingham's restrictions throughout the '90s.

For example, the district had

adopted a forestry management plan in 1990 that outlined a 10-year plan for timber harvests. The purpose of the plan included rate reduction. The plan was updated in 2000 for another 10-year period, as required by the tree-growth tax law, again focusing on rate reduction.

At the June meeting, the district justified recent harvesting as necessary to clean up ice storm damage.

But the timber harvesting done before the ice storm already exceeded the amount paid for taxes, violating the restrictions in Bingham's deed.

Veteran trustee John Head admitted that he'd known about the limits on timber harvesting in the deed. Newer trustees Joe Drummond and Mike Broderick both said they had been unaware of the restrictions until The Citizen provided them with copies of the deed.

Drummond provided an accounting of logging income versus taxes, as the trustees promised at the public meeting last June. Since 1967 the district paid \$63,740 in real estate taxes to the Town of Newry. (1988 figures were missing, Drummond said.)

Since 1985, Drummond said timber harvesting netted \$131,981, based on incomplete data, from all harvesting activities in the Chapman Brook watershed. He pointed out that some of the land (slightly more than 100 acres) is in Bethel

and not subject to harvesting limitations.

#### Timber harvests and road work

Earlier this week, The Citizen asked Joe Drummond, chair of the trustees, for an update on the district's activities.

Based on Drummond's response, the district plans another harvest this winter that again exceeds the harvesting necessary to raise money for taxes.

Drummond said the district will log two areas in Newry — on land where harvesting is limited by Bingham's deed — totaling 134 acres, and log another 40 acres in Bethel. The total stumpage is expected to earn between \$10,000 and \$12,000, exceeding the 2003 taxes by several thousand dollars.

"The Bethel Water District has always applied timber harvest dollars to watershed maintenance and/or distribution of system improvements," Drummond said. "This has allowed the district to forestall rate increases over the years."

According to Drummond, estimates for road repairs are about \$30,000. In October, the trustees authorized \$10,000 for repair work for fiscal year 2002-03.

#### Looking for a new water supply

Drummond said the district con-

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## ASC rides off into the sunset

2002 will go down in local lore as the year the American Skiing Company went west.

When the year had opened, the Bethel area was the home of ASC, one of the country's largest skiing corporations — an enterprise which had sprung from the success of Newry's Sunday River Ski Resort.

But much of that national distinction was illusion. ASC employed relatively few people here, and was increasingly concentrating its ski resort holdings — and investments — in the West.

As major corporations go, ASC was also in pretty sad shape. It was continually posting quarterly and annual losses, and its stock price,

which had opened in 1997 at \$18 per share, was down to less than one dollar a share.

In March, the stock's performance led to the company being "delisted" by the New York Stock Exchange. It now trades over the counter, and was closing at year's end in the 13 cent a share range.

#### Moving on

And in early June, the company announced it would be employing even fewer people here, as a result of a decision to move its corporate headquarters to Park City, Utah.

According to a company spokesman, the move directly affected,

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## Leaves behind hangar battle

One notable relic of the American Skiing Company's glory days here went up for grabs in 2002.

Members of the Bethel Airport Authority coveted it for the town, but voters wanted no part of it — except perhaps for a modest rent.

Five years ago ASC built a 6,400 square-foot hangar on land leased at the Bethel Airport. The building was to serve as a homeport for ASC's nation-trotting fleet of executive aircraft.

The structure was and still is the most impressive at the airport, and its low annual lease rate (approximately 14 cents a square foot) is equally attractive.

But last year, with ASC's corporate presence here rapidly evaporat-

ing, there was less and less need for the hangar, and the company put it (and the remainder of its 25-year lease) on the market.

ASC readily found a buyer, in local pilot John Mason, DDS, who offered \$100,000 for the hangar/lease.

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## Letters

### BUSY YEAR AT THE BWD

To the Editor:  
Calendar 2002 was extraordinarily busy for the Bethel Water District. Two significant water main extensions, for a combined distance of 1.25 miles, were completed on time and under budget — the first to the Telstar Middle/High School complex; the other on Paradise Ridge Road. Forty-five new services were installed. Daily inspections and maintenance of water mains on Paradise Road were conducted during the sewer project there. Two minor and three major water leaks in the distribution system were repaired promptly.

The district's staff responded to requests for information from a variety of sources, participated in State of Maine water system and watershed inspections, attended required training and certification classes, conducted meter installations and replacements, performed quarterly meter readings, and routine day-to-day operations, too.

Donald Katlin and Callie Colby deserve hearty thanks for their hard work and dedication to their district duties. Special appreciation to trustees Joe Drummond, John Head and Mike Broderick for the extra time they committed to district oversight and for providing steady guidance and encouragement when patience ran short. Finally, sincere gratitude to our customers for letting us know our efforts and attention to detail were appreciated.

From the Bethel Water District "family" to yours: have a happy and healthy New Year.

*Lucien G. Roberge  
Superintendent*

### YOUTH BASKETBALL VOLUNTEERS

To the Editor:  
Bethel Recreation would like to start a winter youth basketball program on Saturday mornings. We would like to run this program for six Saturday days starting the last weekend in January. This program would be similar to the youth soccer program we run each fall. We would like children from kindergarten to fifth grade to participate. Before starting this program we will need approximately 12 adult volunteers.

Anyone interested in helping with this program please contact me at 824-4767.

*Scott Parker  
Bethel Recreation*

### Referenda go back to SAD44 voters Tuesday

By ALISON ALOIOSIO

SAD44 voters will be asked to return to the polls Tuesday, Jan. 7 to ratify their June 11 approval of several capital improvement projects.

The projects include an extension of sewer and water lines to Telstar middle/high schools, auditorium renovations and other improvements at Telstar, and the construction of a new track. In June, voters approved the work by approximately a 2-1 margin.

But the second vote was recommended by district lawyers after it was discovered the warrant for the June referendum had not been posted in Woodstock.

That omission, said Supt. David Murphy, would lead to the district paying higher interest rates on the \$2 million in bonds that would be issued on the projects. The bond bank "requires assurances that all legally required procedures have been followed," Murphy said in a recent letter to voters.

Without such assurances, he said, the potential exists for the vote to be legally challenged.

"(The bond bank) flat out told us 'This isn't going to fly,'" Murphy said last week. By ratifying the original vote, he said, SAD44 residents would clear the way for the district to obtain the lower interest rates.

"We felt it would be best to put it back into the hands of the people who made the decision," he said.

He said SAD44 could have appealed to the Legislature for a ruling that would have made the posting error a moot point, but it would have been February before that could happen.

And even with a positive response from the Legislature, he said, the district would have missed a Feb. 5 deadline to apply to the bond bank. That would result in continued higher interest payments on the district's current short-term

loans for the projects.

Much of the money approved has already been spent, mostly on the utility projects.

"We couldn't do anything with the bond bank until October," Murphy said.

If the decision by the Legislature went against the district, he said, it would be spring before another referendum could be scheduled, with the same time frame for going to the bond bank.

#### Questions in Bethel

Area selectmen signed the warrants for the new vote, but not all were pleased with it. Some groused about the expense.

Said Al Barth of Bethel, "I just wanted to make sure we're compensated for the extra expense, and the same for all the other towns, and if that has to come from the school district — tough luck, because something happened that screwed it up. Or if we all bill Woodstock, I don't care."

Bethel Town Manager Scott Cole questioned the quality of the advice the district got from its attorneys on possible options.

He said he believed the district might have been better served, at a lesser cost, by going to court to seek a declaratory judgment, which would also render the Woodstock error moot.

Murphy said SAD44 "followed the opinion of our lawyers because that's what we pay them to do."

He also said there were no plans for the district to reimburse the towns.

#### Polling hours

The usual polling hours for SAD44 towns are as follows: Andover, 10-8 at Town Hall; Bethel, 8-8 at CPS gym; Greenwood, 10-8 at Municipal Building; Newry, 10-8 at Town Office; Woodstock, 9-8 at Town Office. To confirm times, please call your Town Office.

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## Briefly

### Duplessis gets Carnegie Medal

**MASON**—Chris Duplessis, 16, has been selected to receive the Carnegie Medal for Heroism for his actions in saving a driver from a burning car last year. Duplessis, who was 14 at the time, was serving as a flagger at the Mt. Washington Road Race when a car driven by Ed Romney crashed on a turn and burst into flames. Duplessis, with help from his father, Richard, worked to free Romney from the car and pulled him to safety. The award includes a \$3,500 check and eligibility for a college scholarship. The Carnegie Hero Fund Commission was established in 1904 by philanthropist and industrialist Andrew Carnegie.

### Community forester to speak

**BETHEL**—Tish Carr, the city forester for Augusta, will speak Wednesday, Jan. 8, as part of the Mahoosuc Land Trust's Local Knowledge program series. She has been a practicing forester for over 20 years, having been city forester for Newark, N.J., forester for the state of New Jersey and community forest coordinator for the states of Washington and Maine. Her presentation is entitled, "Growing Greener Communities." After graduating from Gould Academy in 1977, she went on to earn degrees from the University of Maine, Orono. In addition, she is certified as a canine/equine handler for search and rescue and now has the only dog/horse wilderness and rescue team in Maine. (Bill Green featured her group recently on "The Green Outdoors.") The presentation will be at 7 p.m. in McLaughlin Science Center, Trustees Auditorium, on the Gould Academy campus in Bethel. Admission is free. The snow date is Jan. 15.

### Teen state's first snowmobile fatality

**GRAY**—A teenage boy was killed Saturday in Maine's first snowmobile fatality of the season. The accident happened around 4 p.m. by a portion of Juniper Lane that was chained off, according to the Maine Warden Service. The teen drove into the chain and was pronounced dead at Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston, Lt. Michael Marshall said. A second teenager who was following behind on another snowmobile was injured and taken to Maine Medical Center in Portland. Marshall said his injuries were not believed to be life-threatening. The chain blocked off the portion of Juniper Lane beyond the last home. Marshall said the chain was marked with flags but that the boys may not have seen it because it was dark and because of some mounds of dirt.

### Charges in second snowmobile death

**WALES**—Maine game wardens have charged two people following the death of a man who was hit by a snowmobile Sunday night on Sabattus Lake. Wardens charged 36-year-old Steven Davies with manslaughter, and 33-year-old Robert Cyr with hindering apprehension. The men, both from Sabattus, are apparently in-laws. The pair were arrested after 58-year-old Robert Levesque died at Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston. Levesque was walking on Sabattus Lake when he was hit, and he was alive when he was found Sunday night, according to wardens. Maine Warden Lt. Michael Marshall said when questioned by investigators, Davies admitted to running over Levesque.

### Give blood, ski free

**NEWRY**—A blood drive will take place Friday, Jan. 17 at Sunday River Ski Resort. Donor hours will be from 1 to 6 p.m. at South Ridge Lodge. Blood donors will receive a lift ticket good from April 1 through April 30 (except for April 5 and 6).

### Enough signatures for casino vote

**ALFRED**—Supporters of a proposal to build a \$650 million casino in southern Maine have enough signatures to put the matter on a statewide ballot, according to a lawyer for the two Indian tribes pursuing the project. More than 50,000 signatures have been collected so far, and more than half already have been validated, said Erin Lehane, an attorney for the tribes and spokeswoman for the Think About It political action committee. The deadline for turning over signatures to the secretary of state's office for consideration for the 2003 ballot is Jan. 23. Signatures must first be validated by town clerks, then reaffirmed by the secretary of state. "Technically, we've qualified and we'll be collecting for another couple of weeks," she said last week. Supporters say the casino would produce \$50 million a year in much-needed income for the Penobscot Nation and the Passamaquoddy Tribe and generate \$75 million in state gaming taxes and \$20 million for state and local governments. Opponents contend casino gambling, which is currently illegal in Maine, would lead to more crime, cause gambling addiction and hurt established businesses. Before the proposal can make it onto the ballot, it faced a hearing Friday in York County Superior Court on a challenge to its wording. Opponents say the wording suggests gambling revenues would be funneled to specific purposes like property tax relief. Rep. Mary Black Andrews, R-York, said the question is misleading because it would take an amendment to the Maine Constitution stipulating that revenues would go to specific purposes. "You cannot obligate the Legislature from year to year to do anything," she said. "You have to put it in the Constitution."

### Sled dogs killed by snowmobile

**FORT KENT**—Police were investigating a nighttime accident in which a snowmobile struck and killed two sled dogs on a multi-use trail that runs through town on an old railroad bed. Police Chief Kenneth Michaud says speed may have been a factor in the crash at 10:30 p.m. last Monday on the Heritage Trail. Killed were two dogs that were leading an eight-dog team pulling local musher Dennis Cyr. Two snowmobilers, Brad Charette, 16, and Chad Vaillancourt, 15, both of Fort Kent, were riding in the same direction as Cyr. Charette, driving the lead snowmobile, saw Cyr on the sled at the last moment and was able to slow his machine and pull around him, according to the police report. Vaillancourt tried to pull to the left and around the sled team, but the two lead dogs also moved to the left and were struck by Vaillancourt's snowmobile. According to the report, Cyr was wearing a light on his hat facing up the trail, but had no light facing behind him. He either was not wearing, or the boys did not see, any reflective material, Michaud indicated. The dogs were killed instantly, Michaud said. No other injuries were reported. The chief said Charette and Vaillancourt indicated that they were traveling around 50 mph. That section of trail is posted at 45 mph. Dog teams are permitted on the Heritage Trail, but Michaud said mushers should exercise extreme caution when running in the dark. "This is a very sad thing to have happened," he said. "But accidents do happen." No charges are pending.

### Company fined in van crash

**PORTLAND**—The U.S. Department of Labor has fined the farm labor contractor that employed 14 migrant forestry workers who were killed in a Sept. 12 van accident along the Allagash Wilderness Waterway. The department announced Monday it has also begun proceedings to revoke the right of Idaho-based Evergreen Forestry Services to operate as a farm labor contractor. The department is fining Evergreen \$17,000 for violations of the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act, including failing to provide workers with safe transportation; failing to register the driver of the van; failing to register the van involved in the accident; and failing to amend the department certificate to include the van. The company will appeal the department's decision to revoke its license, according to an attorney representing Evergreen. The workers were killed when their van skidded off a one-lane bridge into the Allagash Waterway while driving to a work site in the North Woods, where the men trimmed and cleared brush.

### From the Bethel Police Log:

#### Winter wakeboarders warned

At 9 p.m. on Dec. 27 police received a call from dispatch reporting a vehicle was hauling snowboarders behind it in the village. The officer located the subjects on Church Street, and told them they needed to stop, or they could be charged. The subjects said they were done anyway.

**Friday, Dec. 20**

At 10:30 a.m. the animal control officer received a report that a four-year-old boy had been bitten by a dog. Reportedly the animal was sleeping when the child jumped on it. The dog lunged at the boy, striking him in the cheek with a tooth. The dog was quarantined in accordance with state law.

**Tuesday, Dec. 24**

At 10:20 p.m. police received a call of a vehicle parked in Davis Park with hazard lights on. The driver said the vehicle had "died" and he had called a friend to pick him up. The vehicle would be left in the park overnight and picked up the next day.

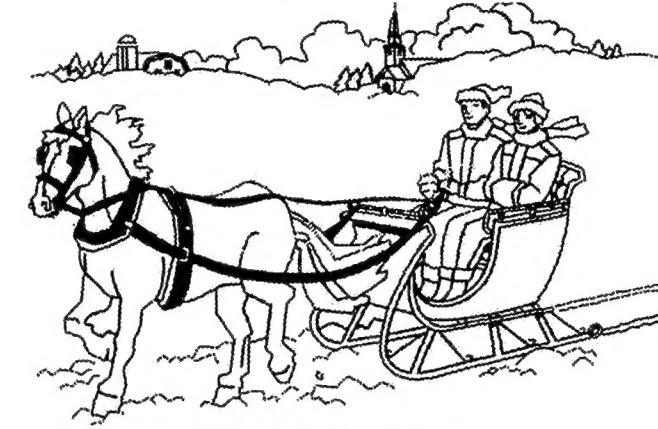
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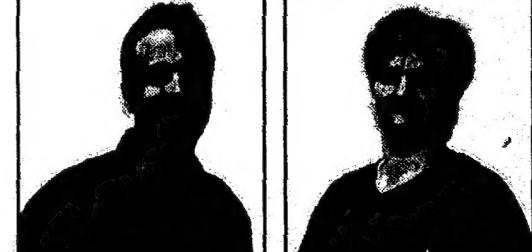
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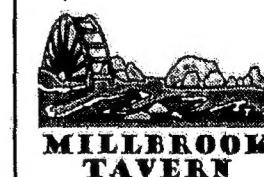
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## ASC

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only a half dozen of ASC's 40-plus employees here. And in a prepared statement, CEO B.J. Fair expressed continued commitment to Maine skiing.

Ironically, a few weeks later "Maine skiing" took on a further meaning, as ASC announced it was consolidating the senior management of its two resorts in the state, Sunday River and Sugarloaf/USA.

The bottom line on the consolidation was not pretty for the Bethel area. Basically, Sugarloaf management took over both resorts, and three top Sunday River positions were eliminated.

Chip Seams, Sunday River managing director; Bob Harkins, vice president for resort services; and George Driscoll, marketing director, were all fired.

Sugarloaf's John Diller and Jim Costello took over, respectively, management and marketing, for the two resorts.

Both men are respected and well-

liked industry veterans, but morale at Sunday River took a heavy blow — as Diller acknowledged following the announcement.

"We've got a lot of work to do. We know that," he said. "Certainly yesterday was a hard day for everyone, and we're cognizant of that."

One other high-profile victim of ASC's problems, founder Les Otten, was briefly back in the local ski news in 2002. Otten had been forced out at ASC in 2001, and later went on to become a part owner of the Boston Red Sox.

In November, it was learned that a 300-seat restaurant is being planned for the site of his former home (which he still owns) at the edge of Sunday River's largest cluster of parking lots.

Dow takes reins at Mt. Abram

On a brighter note, in June it was announced that a long-time veteran of the local ski scene had been

named general manager of Mt. Abram Family Ski Area in Locke Mills.

Dow, a native of the Oxford Hills region, has more than three decades of full-time experience in the ski industry, including directing the Mt. Abram Ski School from 1978 to 1990, and serving since 1995 as operations manager at Great Glen Trails Outdoor Center, Gorham, N.H.

"We are very pleased to welcome Rik and his family back home," said Mt. Abram owner Josh Burns.

## White start to current season

And at both local ski areas the all-important Christmas vacation week (it's more like two this year) has so far been off to a fabulous start, with near ideal conditions and plenty of skiers on the slopes — all a much welcomed change from the kick-offs of most recent ski seasons here.

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**CHANDLER HONORED**  
Democratic candidates Mike Michaud and John Patrick attended the Lakes Association supper in September and awarded Jim Chandler of Woodstock a Legislative Recognition for his work in milfoil removal from Lake Christopher.

## Hangar

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But before the deal could close one small formality had to be dealt with — the lease contract gave the town the right of first refusal on the hangar.

Neither the town selectmen nor the members of its Budget Committee had any interest in having the town own the building (perhaps recalling Bethel voters' unwillingness years earlier to have the town own, at virtually no cost, a railroad station building in Bethel Station).

But members of the Bethel Airport Authority believed with equally strong fervor that the town should buy the building — in large part because they felt the existing lease rate was well below fair market value.

If the town purchased the hangar, they reasoned, it could then be released at a more favorable rate.

But the selectmen didn't buy this reasoning, and the board voted on its own authority to waive the right of first refusal.

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## BWD

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tinues to pursue source enhancement.

"Bethel Water District has taken initial steps toward enhancing its source of water to meet current and anticipated supply needs, and to move away from Chapman Brook as its principal source for Bethel water. This enhancement program focuses on drilled wells on or in the vicinity of the district-owned land in the Chapman Brook watershed. A preliminary, exploratory site on district property has been cleared and made ready for the drilling of test wells."

Tonight, the year ends much as it began. The Bethel Board of Selectmen will make appointments to town boards and committees, including one to the Board of Trustees of the Bethel Water District. Trustee John Head's term has expired. There are two applicants for the position — Head has reappplied, and Frank Vogt, former chair of the Bethel Planning Board, has applied for the first time.

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## Glimmers of light appear in the darkening ashes of our local wood-products industries

It was a difficult year for local wood products businesses, as several closed their doors, largely because of foreign competition. But near the end of the year, at least two were making a comeback.

In June, more than 70 employees of Bethel Furniture Stock lost their jobs when the mill closed. President Leon Favreau cited poor business in general. He said he would cut his own salary in half and attempt to come back with a new business plan with just a few employees.

By late October, he had brought back 46 employees in a much leaner operation, one which no longer included health insurance benefits.

The company is relying on more efficient production of its bent-wood components for furniture, as well as a new product line introduced earlier in the year, known as the Maine Chair Kit.

Also in October, plans were announced to reopen the former Gilbert Manufacturing woodworking mill in Locke Mills.

The current owner, Saunders Brothers, had closed the mill in November 2001, laying off 50 people.

The company now plans to relocate its current production facilities in Westbrook and Rumford to Locke Mills, probably this summer.

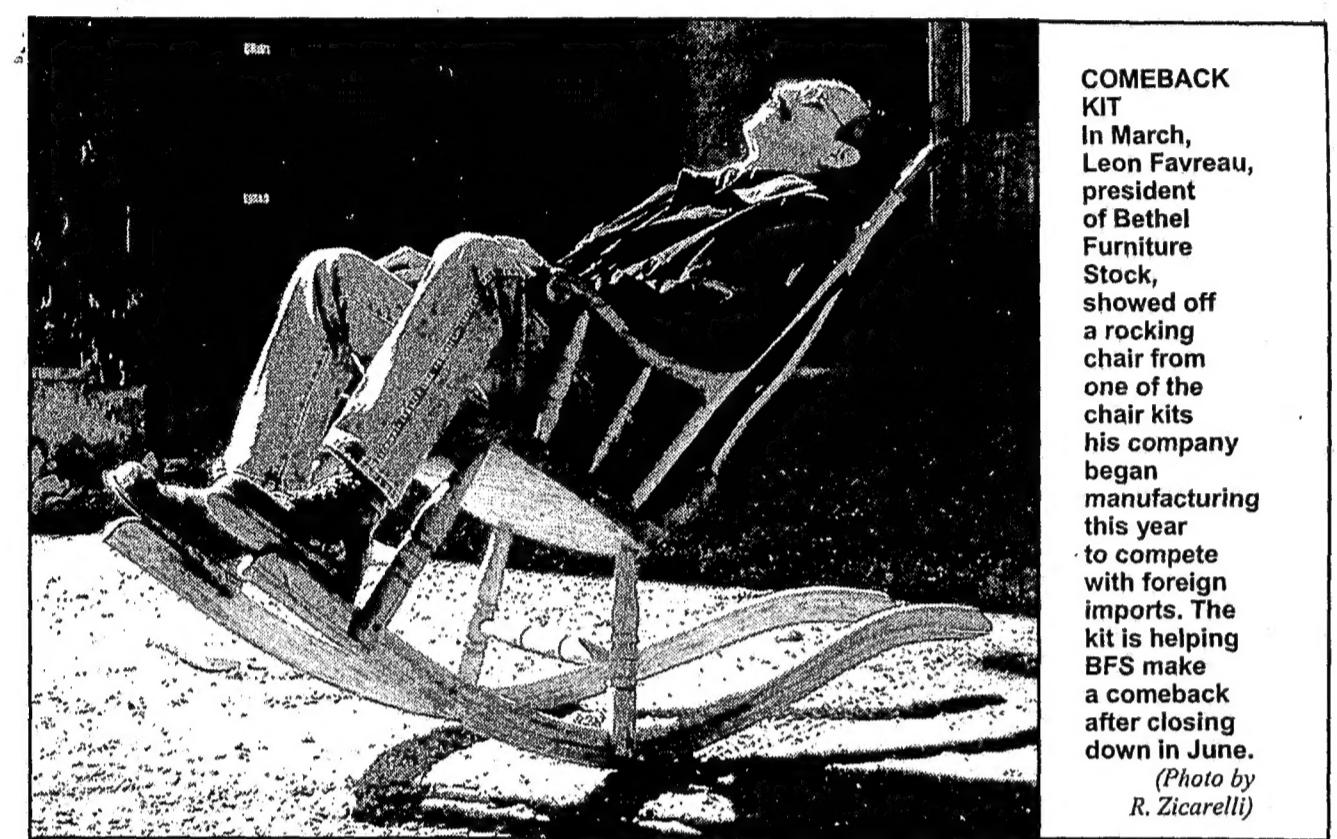
The move will displace 90 workers in Westbrook and 50 in Rumford, but they were expected to be offered jobs in Locke Mills.

The company is relying on more

A small mill operation in Bethel, Kendall Dowel, closed its doors in August of this year. Eight workers were laid off from the business, which was established in the 1940s. Foreign competition was cited as the cause.

In neighboring Norway, C.B. Cummings Co. also closed its doors. The wood products company had been in business for 140 years, and employed 200 people as recently as five years ago.

And over in Berlin, N.H., laid-off paper mill workers got word at the end of the year that a planned reopening of the Fraser Mill in January has been delayed until spring. The mill has been closed for a year and a half.



**COMEBACK KIT**  
In March, Leon Favreau, president of Bethel Furniture Stock, showed off a rocking chair from one of the chair kits his company began manufacturing this year to compete with foreign imports. The kit is helping BFS make a comeback after closing down in June. (Photo by R. Zicarelli)

From our town columns

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## The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Sharon Bouchard's column is published by special arrangement with the Advertising Department of this newspaper.

**PHEW!** The holidays are over. Usually I'm a bit sad to see the end of the festive season. It's an exciting time, especially if there are little ones around for Christmas. It's also a reflective time as the New Year approaches.

It does seem to me that there is a little more good will and there is just a really nice feeling about the holiday in the air. Maybe it's the kid in me. Whatever the case, I'm usually a little down when the holidays are officially over and life returns to normal routine, but that is not the case this year.

To quote Jerry Garcia, "What a long strange trip it's been."

It all started a week before Christmas when my daughter, son-in-law and two grandsons, ages 3 and 6, had to come stay with me and Henry for five days, while waiting to move into their new home.

Let me tell you, you have no idea what a quite life you live until it's not quiet anymore. I love my family and my grandsons are the apples of my eye, but my word, those children never wear down! It's like the run on Energizer batteries...they just keep going and going and going. I had no idea how many drinks of water and trips to the bathroom two little boys can pull off when they don't want to go to sleep. I'm sure that my own children did the same thing, but I don't remember it.

I had a considerable amount of wrapping to do and my plan had been to wrap a few things each night the week before Christmas figuring I would have it done a day or two before the big day. Those plans went right out the window when the kids arrived. I could have waited until they finally fell asleep, but

since I usually fell asleep before they did, that didn't work out.

I did spend a lot of time baking, making candy, eating candy, and cleaning up. Then I spent a lot more time eating candy and cleaning up. Two little boys can really make quite a mess. Especially when they have a grandmother that completely indulges them. I have always indulged them, that's what grandparents do, but I usually have the option of sending them home.

**It wasn't until everyone had left and I was clearing the wrapping paper blizzard away that I found my husband under a pile of Styrofoam.**

Eventually they did get into their new home and my house was quiet again, at least for one day, then my daughter's in-laws arrived (the other indulgent grandparents). It's great for the children to have all their grandparents together for Christmas, but is sure does shatter the peace on earth I was used to.

Somehow, through all the company, children and excitement, I did manage to wrap everything, put the tree up, do laundry and cook a few meals. Then Christmas morning arrived and everyone in the family with it.

Wrapping paper and ribbons flew, electronic toys whirred, whooped, wuzzed and buzzed and Henry ended up under a mountain of wrapping paper this time.

I was looking forward to the opportunity to read my new Stephen King book and play with my new digital camera and relax in my new fleece robe, but that was not to happen for a while.

The snow storm hit which led to shoveling which led to putting my back out which led to pain which led to not being able to sit and read or play with a new camera. The fleece robe was nice though.

Then the next round of guests arrived. My stepdaughter and her husband arrived on Saturday and that, of course, brought back all the rest of the family for another gift giving go-round.

The wrapping paper and ribbons flew again and more electronic toys whirred, whooped, wuzzed and buzzed and Henry ended up under a mountain of wrapping paper this time.

The hub-bub and hustle-bustle of the season is great and all part of what makes the holiday bright, but I think next year Henry and I would like a little less of the bright.

Sunday afternoon finally rolled around and the last of my company left. The good-bye kisses were barely dry on my cheek before I had my new Christmas robe on, a fresh cup of coffee and my Stephen King book in hand and had taken up residence on the couch.

I was in heaven! I looked at Henry through the wrapping paper and said "The way I see it, we had a wonderful Christmas and I'm kind of glad it's now over and as soon as I unwrap you, we can start to enjoy a quiet and peaceful New Year. That is as soon as I figure out where the whirring, whooping, wuzzing and buzzing is coming from!"

## Improvements completed and planned in education infrastructure

2002 was a big year for capital improvements at area secondary schools. Gould Academy opened a new science center and Telstar made plans for several projects, including a new track.

Gould's McLaughlin Science Center opened in September. The \$4.4 million facility offers the latest in technology in its new classrooms, and also boasts a greenhouse, auditorium and a drilled well used for study in earth science classes.

The center was financed through a combination of fund-raising and a \$2 million grant from the McLaughlin family, whose son graduated from Gould in 1988.

Telstar also got on track for capital improvements with the approval in June of funding to hook the complex to the Bethel sewer and water systems, build a new track, renovate the auditorium and make other improvements to the existing school complex.

Voters approved the issuance of \$2 million in bonds for the work.

The utility project is nearly completed. Planning for the track is underway, with work expected to begin in the spring.

The projects hit a technical glitch late in the year when it was found the warrant for the June referendum vote had not been posted in Woodstock.

District officials said the oversight would result in a higher interest rate from the bond bank issuing the bonds, unless voters ratify the June vote in a new referendum set for next week (see related story, page 2).

## MDOT lays out plans for work on routes 2 and 26

The Maine Department of Transportation came to the area twice in 2002, to talk about its plans for straightening the treacherous curves on Route 2 and making improvements to Route 26 on Merrifield Hill in Bryant Pond.

The proposed improvements to Route 2 would begin four-tenths of a mile east of the Maine-New Hampshire state line and extend east for 11.6 miles, ending west of the intersection of US Route 2 and Maine Route 5, in Bethel.

Work would include full highway construction, highway rehabilitation, bridge rehabilitation, and drainage and pavement improvements. The bridge over the Wild River in Gilead would also be moved as part of the work.

Several narrow curves along the road in Gilead have seen many accidents over the years. In some cases, vehicles have rolled down the embankment after missing one of the turns, coming to rest near the St. Lawrence & Atlantic railroad tracks. The tracks run parallel to Route 2 in many places.

The improvement work would include straightening the curves, which are bordered on their inner

side by ledge.

Route 26 in Bryant Pond, which enters the village from the north on a sharp turn and leaves in a steep climb up Merrifield Hill, has also been a safety concern for residents.

While MDOT says it can promise little to address the sharp turn, but it does plan work on the other end of the village.

The primary focus of the improvements will be the addition of a truck lane to allow motorists to pass slow-moving trucks headed up the hill. The travel lane will also be widened.

According to MDOT, 18 percent of the traffic on the road is heavy trucks. Eight percent is considered a large volume by MDOT.

MDOT also plans to square up the intersections with the Dudley Road, Route 232 and Rumford Avenue, to provide better sight distance.

After receiving input from residents in a December public hearing, MDOT will incorporate some suggestions made and return in the spring for another hearing. Work on the project is expected to take place primarily in 2004.

## New and elevated staff members for SAD44

At the same time SAD44 planned a facelift for Telstar, the district added several new faces among its leaders, and one familiar face took over the top post.

David Murphy, who served as elementary principal for many years and as Telstar principal last year, moved up another step, becoming superintendent in August.

Kent Rosberg left in June after five years in that position to become an elementary principal in New Hampshire.

In July, Jean Manson Waite took over as director of adult education and Rick Colpitts as elementary supervising principal.

Waite, a Bethel native who worked for L.L. Bean for many years, stepped into the position vacated by Cathy Newell, who retired after many years of service. Newell was largely responsible for building the adult education program in SAD44.

Colpitts, formerly a principal at the Hartford-Sumner Elementary School, took the position left empty for a year after Murphy became Telstar principal.

Taking over from Murphy in that post in August was Shawn Lambert, who most recently worked as assistant principal of Lewiston High School.

## Super Crossword



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## Bethel



by  
Virginia Keniston  
Arlene Brown  
was an over-  
night guest of  
her son, Kurt,  
and his wife,  
Tammy, and

while there attended "The Magic of Christmas" at Merrill Auditorium in Portland.

Kenneth and Gwyneth Bohr had a gathering of 13 relatives and friends over the Christmas holiday.

John, Yvonne and Jonathan Mosca of Cambridge, Mass., spent Thursday through Sunday at The Victoria. While in Bethel they skied at Sunday River and visited with Bob and Polly Davis and family. John was given a surprise 50th birthday dinner at The Victoria with members of the Davis family attending.

Linda Jackson of Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada, was a guest of her parents, Bud and Mary Paine, Thursday through Monday.

Al and Lee Barth entertained family and friends at a New Year's Eve potluck supper.

Bob and Ginny Kenniston attended a family gathering at their son David and Jody Kenniston's in Norway on Saturday, Dec. 28.

## Hanover



by Clem  
Worcester  
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mock. It has been suggested that those who pass by the area stop their vehicles, step outside and salute the flags before proceeding.

What was the top story of 2002 in the Hanover area? Was it the many auto crashes on Route 2 and the Howard Pond Road? Perhaps it was the police chase and takeover of a trailer truck, or it could have been the shooting of Jeff Watt. Sadly, there was the passing of some of our good neighbors. The top story could have involved the Sam II saga or brush cutting along Howard Pond. Then there was the Town Meeting where near record attendance voted down the public plowing of the South Shore Road. We shouldn't forget the community camp over at Stony Brook Recreation or the opening of Huckleberry Corner.

In our mind, the top story for 2002 was the fundraiser for the moving of the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, the yard sale that spanned two weekends raising over \$1,200 toward the building moving project. Vicki Fimiani, Deidra O'Callahan and Paulette Booth spearheaded the project and it was an excellent example of a community working together for a common goal.

For all the dogs who forgot to get their '03 license tag before the new year, it is not too late. A late charge will be imposed after Jan. 31.

## Sunday River Valley



by  
Rockie Graham

The New Year is upon us. My newest resolution is to get my columns done in time to send them. Actually, I did fairly well until November when things spun out of control. The holidays and deadlines were not my strongest suits. Ah well.

At present we are undecided on our New Year's plans. We realized

that New Year's Bethel was out due to the cost. I am not saying they charge too much. It is just too rich for our blood this year. So it goes. For those who go, it sounds like a good time. Hope you enjoyed it. I have in previous years.

I spent a fun time last weekend making chocolate-covered dried fruit with Lynn. I have not distributed all of mine, but I will soon. It was great fun to melt white and dark chocolate and put fruit into the melted mixture. They came out quite good, if I do say so myself. Next year, we will look for additional fruits and maybe make some other goodies, too. I used to make needhams until I became allergic to potatoes and didn't dare. It is quite difficult to make chocolates and not sample the merchandise.

I sympathized with all the high school/college students when I had to finish up the course I was taking. It was graduate level, but that doesn't change things much. I had been ill and busy and left the papers for the last possible moment.

That is not how I usually am, but I know many will empathize. In any case, I spent the last weekend before vacation finishing three papers. Several had been started, one had all the research done, but one I was starting from scratch. It was made even harder because the computer ate two hours of typing. I still do not know where it went. As I had written it from notes and didn't really have a hard copy, only I could retype it. Not fun, but I got it done. In any case, it was stressful having to get it done.

Many changes are occurring in the valley. People are leaving and people are coming. Black Bear is seeking a new owner, the ski businesses are in full swing and people are crowding into the valley hoping for a fun day on the slopes. I see many cars at the snowboard and ski shops and that bodes well. I am glad. The traffic hasn't reached crisis stages too often, but I am waiting for the promised traffic monitor at the corner of Sunday River Road and Skiway Access

Road. I guess I may wait a long time. Corporate memories are short, especially with new management and new owners. It has been hard to get out of the valley this vacation because I tried to leave after 6 a.m. That is my usual time when school is in session, so I am not worried then. Right now, I have to plan every move. Soon I will try and take the bus to town so we can go out after dark. I would do it New Year's, but as I said, we are a little short on cash and the bills keep on coming. I am sure that is true of everyone else, too. We didn't need any of those Christmas spending ideas; we needed savings ideas and how to spend less and enjoy it more ideas.

I am unsure when or where the next Bethel Poets Society meeting will be. Any suggestions will be more than welcome. We generally meet the fourth Thursday of the month. Where is up for grabs.

There is not much more for now. Hope you all have/had a very Happy New Year. Will see you all next year.

## East Bethel



by  
Nancy Mercer

I hope every  
one had a safe  
and Happy  
New Year.  
Nina Mollicone  
spent Christ-  
mas Day with Marilyn Mollicone  
in Augusta.

Steve and Bethany Pelletier and child spent Christmas Eve with his sister, Charlene Perro, in Waterboro. Steve's parents were there, also. Christmas Day was spent with Bob and Phyllis Coolidge in Greenwood.

Clare Piaulock had Christmas dinner with Scott and Wendy Annis.

Jack and Lucy Nordahl's daughter and her two sons were up from Groton, Mass., for Christmas and lots of cross-country skiing. They

plan on going back right after the New Year.

Richard and Pat Kimball had Christmas with Penny and Keith Savage in Bryant Pond along with the rest of the family.

On Dec. 27, Richard and Pat Kimball had a big going-away breakfast for their granddaughter, who is going to be stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., at the Savage's in Bryant Pond.

Esther Wilson had a Christmas Open House with Paul and Charlotte Kimball, Howard and Donna Crockett, George and Carolyn Crockett of West Bethel, Ken and Laurie Crockett, Grace Gibson, Jackie Libby, Brent and daughter Alexis, "Butch" Crockett, Ben and Stephanie Bolen and children of West Bethel, Ron and Karen Gilbert and son, Mike and Kelly Crockett and children, Aaron and Kelly Crockett and children, Theresa Gibson and friend Vinny from New York City, Bruce and Velora Tuominen and children of North Norway, and many friends all attending and having a good time.

Dana and Millie Jackson had Seniors' Dinner at the Chef's Table in Norway on Dec. 22 and went on to Harrison for a Christmas Party at Jen and Randy Olson's home.

Len and Diane Parker served Christmas Dinner to Andrea Howe and Savannah, Dustin and Nell Howe of Bryant Pond, Alyssa Howe and Peter Burchard and children of Norway, Becca Howe and Justin Coolidge, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Seames Sr. of Greenwood and Billy Maiman.

Peter Haines served Christmas Dinner to John and Nancy Haines and son Joseph of Greenwood, George Haines and Lisa, and Nancy Mercer on Dec. 23. They exchanged gifts after dinner.

Alder River Grange will have a meeting on Jan 10 at Stan Howe's home on Broad Street. There will be a 6 p.m. soup and chowder and a 7 p.m. meeting. The supper menu and schedule will be discussed more fully.

Have a nice week. God Bless America.

## Mason Township



by  
Richard Grover

The holidays just past have been busy for Mason residents, just as for probably everybody else. There were numerous dinners with dozens of family members and friends partaking of outstanding cuisine at the Grover households, as well as at several other families. Most of these dinners were followed by hours of cards and other family board games. Conversation at one of the dinners zeroed in on a certain young man who "divorced" his girlfriend just before Christmas. Some were unkind enough to suggest that he did it just to save money — so he wouldn't have to buy her a Christmas present.

Mona and I were pleased to host my daughter, Anita, and her husband, Dan, for a week over Christmas. They now live in West Texas, where they work in Guadalupe Mountains National Park. While here, we went skiing at Sunday River, cross-country skiing at the base of Mount Washington, and, after our four inches of fresh snow, on our own cross-country trails in back of "The Farm." The new snow on the old icy crust was just deep enough to make for good skiing without bogging us down. Dan said he wanted to try skiing in the East, in order to compare it with skiing in Colorado, where he has skied since he was a kid. He said Sunday River's blue-coded trails are about comparable to Colorado, except they are more difficult due to the icy conditions here. Colorado usually has a lot more powder in the base. Of course, the terrain here is in stark contrast to the desert sagebrush, cactus and gravel of Guadalupe.

Many of us Mason residents attend the West Bethel Union Church and make up quite a large percentage of the congregation. Dan Grover and his mother, Ina, were out in the snow and cold several days collecting balsam fir boughs for the church's wreath sales. Dan also found a beautiful fir tree to

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serve as the church's Christmas tree. The weekend before Christmas, the church had a fellowship supper, followed by a "carol sing" and decorating of the Christmas tree. Much of the decorating was done by children of parishioners and their friends. Then Santa Claus arrived and passed out gifts to all the children there.

The highlight of our church Christmas was the Monday night candlelight service, presided over by pastor Earl Bell. The church was nearly filled by people eager to hear the choir and congregation sing the traditional carols, along with a few lesser-known hymns. Too bad we couldn't get more of those folks to come to church the rest of the Sundays of the year.

## Gilead



by  
Elise Caswell  
January comes  
in like a silent  
open expanse of  
white after all  
the frantic  
activity of De-  
cember. I love it —

— fraught with unlimited potential. It reminds me of how I felt when I first moved into the area. As we begin our third winter in Gilead, I reflect on the journey as it has unfolded in reality, compared to the uninformed fantasy of how I thought it might unfold. Now that's what I call education.

When I came "from away," I had a kind of psychic crust that had been created by living in one place for my whole life. That shell was formed by the myriad details I unknowingly took for granted — things like the lay of the land, the ins and outs of the school system, the unspoken rules and expectations of a community of people. I didn't even know I had this "crust" until I moved into a whole new state and began to find that my under layer of assumptions was actually inhibiting my ability to learn about my new environment. And once aware of the crust, I had to break through like a chick pecking her way out of an egg. In the process came natural misunderstandings and cosmic revelations that highlighted a Massachusetts mind/heart bumbling about looking for Maine understanding. In the best of conditions, communication can be miraculous. In the most difficult it can be painfully unsuccessful.

On Monday evening, Stephen and I went to the Meet, Greet, and Eat event at Kathy DiCoco's cafe. Wendy Iseman and Kathy DiCoco put together a series of six Monday evening gatherings to celebrate the influx of young internationals employed for the season by Sunday River. It is an opportunity to share ourselves and Bethel, Maine, with young people from South Africa, Colombia, Australia, Scotland and England. We had a grand time loosening our hips and learning the Salsa; finding homes on a world map and discussing the human tendency to make limiting assumptions about people in general based on limited knowledge. One good example of that was Lonnie's experience of someone saying to her: "What do you mean you come from South Africa. You are not black." As if all people who live in South Africa are assumed to be black.

We laughed and danced and talked about a wide range of topics. The woodstove was lit and simmering on top was a big pot of mulled cider. We shared holiday treats and I came away from the evening feeling like I had held hands with the whole world. It was truly the highest moment of this Christmas season. The great gift that comes in to the area with these spirited young people is their wide open willingness to experience as much as they possibly can of our community and to share of themselves whatever we are willing to receive.

They reminded me of my own innocent openness upon arriving to the area. I know what it is to be "from away." Sometimes it shows you the meaning of words like alien, different, strange, unusual or unfamiliar. Sometimes you feel foreign, separate or misunderstood. Laughing, talking and dancing with these young travelers re-affirms the beauty of the mind that is open to wonder. Real knowledge can replace ignorance when questions rise out of childlike curiosity between host and hosted, family and stranger. I'm feeling grateful again to have this opportunity to be a new kid in the area, whereas I had been starting to feel like being from away was an obstacle to satisfaction. For this gift, I am grateful to Kathy and Wendy and their "Meet, Greet and Eat" and to all the folks that have traveled far to be part of Sunday River.

The next gathering on Jan. 6 will be an acoustic jam. Music knows no language barrier and soars in the

open, like January promises a year of unlimited potential. See you there.

## North Newry

by  
Gil Seeley

Jason and Sarah Berry have returned home after spending three months in Alaska.

Nancy Wight was treated on her birthday (Dec. 14) with dinner, cooked by Sarah Berry, after which they had a double birthday party for Brenda Wight and Nancy.

Guests at the home of John and Nancy Wight on Christmas Eve were Mandy Berry; Alex Johnson; Brad, Brenda, Katie, Kurt and Kevin Wight; Terri, Dani, and Staci Littlehale; Jason and Sarah Berry; Tom Albright; Michael Wight; Ed Powers and Retta Berry.

John and Nancy Wight entertained all their family at Christmas dinner. After dinner they had a double birthday party for Retta Berry (Dec. 26) and Brad Wight (Dec. 27).

## Upton

by  
Eleanor LeComte

Happy 2003. May you all be blessed with prosperity and happiness. Among the New Year's resolutions that we have heard were: to win the Megabucks, lose 25 pounds, and get my deer. I say forget the Megabucks and the deer — losing 25 pounds is something that I can relate to.

I had a very nice e-mail from Lucille Largesse in Arizona. She feeds hummingbirds outside their new fifth-wheeler. She has several different hummers. One that she described has a ruby throat, another one is all brown and the third has a completely red head. She also has a woodpecker that sips nectar from the hummingbird feeder. The woodpecker is light brown, with white spots on his back and a red streak over his head. The weather is beautiful with the temperatures in the 70s. It sounds good to me.

We have another bird story, and this one is a repeat. Buster Williamson, in Lake Wales, Fla., still

## 'Native Corn' comes to Bethel

The Mahoosuc Arts Council will present a showing of the award-winning short film, "Native Corn," on Friday, Jan. 10, as part of the Meet the Artist series. The series is comprised of seven art events highlighting the life stories and work of selected artists living and working in Oxford County.

Native Corn is a comic tale of love and love lost set along the roads of northern New England. The film traces the misadventures of an aristocrat femme as she frantically searches for her saving grace. He's found in the knick of time and they tango. The film is based on a true story told to the director by a friend of a friend.

The film's director, Tim Gallagher, is the featured artist. After viewing Native Corn, the audience will have the opportunity to hear him discuss the production aspects of the film, his career, as well as filmmaking in general.

Native Corn was shot in the Bethel area and features some local celebrities, including Mr. Gallagher's grandfather. The cast list includes: Woman, Donna Sorbello; Old Man, Harry Cooper; Radio Announcer, Ron della Chiesa; TV Announcers, Tim Gallagher and Christine Siegel; Man on Ladder, Mike Gallagher; Pregnant Woman, Sue Giaimo; Man on Porch 1, Arthur "Mike" Murphy; and Man on Porch 2, Elvin "Stubbs" Tibbets.

During 2002, Native Corn was a finalist at the New England Film Festival, chosen as an official "Best Short" selection at the Woods Hole Film Festival and included among the group of best shorts at the North Hampton Film Festival.

Future featured artists in the Meet the Artist series will include Mike Miclon, vaudevillian, Feb. 7; the Gray-Caybe family of classical musicians, March 7; Debi Irons, improvisational dance with Tom Zicarelli, saxophonist, April 4; and Joe Perham, Maine humor and storytelling on May 2.

All programs take place from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Trustee's Auditorium of the new McLaughlin Science Center on the Gould Academy campus. Audience members will get a chance to further meet with the artists at the receptions following each program. Seating is limited to 50 and reservations are strongly recommended. Admission per event is \$5, adults, and \$2, students. For more information, please contact the Mahoosuc Arts office at 824-3575.

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The Stanczyc's have a deer that licks peanut butter out of the feeder. The deer prefer "creamy" to "chunky."

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The snow is good and solid so they are getting some great runs.

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## Andover

by  
Joan Stinson Carney

Happy New Year. Wheew, it's all over for another year; all that's left to do is clean up all the mess, take down the tree, find room for all your new stuff, throw away all the junk, and settle in for the rest of our long, cold winter. Florida, anyone?

Condolences to the families and friends of Phyllis Farrar and Mae Goodwin Porter, both former Andover residents who passed away recently.

Vickie Cuff is at home recuperating from a recent surgery. A card would be nice.

Nomination papers are available at the Town Office for the following positions — all are for a three-year term: selectman, town clerk/tax collector, road commissioner, treasurer, fire chief, and SAD44 School Board member. Elections will be held on Tuesday, March 18. More on that later.

Congratulations to Lee Boyle of Mexico, who won the quilt that the Friends of the Town Hall raffled off on Dec. 20.

I am now officially a member of the Twenty-first Century, or so my sons say. One of my Christmas presents was a CD player. Now all I have to do is figure out how to use the thing and what to do with all the tapes that I've collected over the years and to stop calling it a DVD player. I know, I know, one is for movies and one is for music; I got the music one, I think.

Alan and Kim Whitten Stinson, their daughter Miranda and her friend Jay Jay were home for the holidays. My mother, Marjorie, also made it back from Michigan. I had a short but wonderful time in Boston, got to spend time with my sons and daughter-in-law, hit all my favorite book stores, had a wonderful dinner at Legal Seafoods, saw a house with its picket fence painted red, white, and blue, lots and lots of Christmas lights, and lost my Scrabble championship to my son Brian.

The "Book of the Week" is a classic, and also my favorite book.



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If you run into Jean White, ask her about the "Christmas Mouse" incident. See ya.

### Bryant Pond



by  
Alice Hoyt

Sympathy is extended to the family of Ernest Malm. Services at the Bryant Pond

Baptist Church are Sunday School Fellowship at 8:55 a.m., Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m. and evening service at 6 p.m.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet at the Town Conference Room on Thursday, Jan. 2, for a potluck dinner and each one is to bring a dish to share — salad, hot dish or dessert — and their own place setting. Program may be a speaker on supplemental insurance. Meeting starts at 11 a.m. and new members are always welcome.

They had a very nice Christmas program at the Baptist Church on Sunday evening.

Christmas was busy with 13 for dinner and 22 for supper at the Ken Hoyts. It is nice to get together with family.

The Historical Society encourages people to join as new members. Membership is open to anyone and dues are very reasonable. They are having a special program on the Civil War in January to encourage people to sign up. Gary Fuller will speak as an authority on the subject at the Town Hall Conference Room Jan. 11 at 7 p.m. Curator Larry Billings has given the society a souvenir tray of the University of Maine, Orono. The society has a large collection of souvenir plates of various states. Larry found them at yard sales



**TOWN TAKES OVER FORMER TIRE DUMP SITE**  
The town of Greenwood has acquired 34 acres of property owned by Peter Gordon for nonpayment of taxes. A recent inspection of the site, a former tire dump, by selectman Wayne Hakala and CEO John Gauthier found about 120 vehicles dispersed over the area, some operable and others not. The men also found about 50 cords of wood, which had apparently been trucked in. Approximately one million tires were removed from the site in 2000 by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection.

### South Woodstock



by  
Andrea Wing

Sarah Hart Lynch has been in the CMMC Hospital for a major operation.

It has been only a week since the procedure was done and she is still real uncomfortable. Hopefully, she'll start feeling better in the next few days.

I called my sister, Dotte Critser, in Tempe, Ariz., to wish her a Merry Christmas. She said it was cold and damp and the temperature was only in the 50s.

Kudos to Tara Monzo, Oxford, who has been named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students 2001-2002." Daniel Morgan, West Paris, has also received the honor. Jillian Cole

of South Paris is another one who earned the title. The students must have exceptional grades and be college bound to be listed.

Congratulations to Jessie Hart on her recent engagement to Kyle Komulainen. Jessie received her beautiful diamond ring this Christmas. Wedding plans will be made in the future. Much love and happiness to them both. Jessie is the daughter of Kellie Record, South Paris and Ozzie Hart, Bethel. Kyle is the son of Ernest and Jeanne Komulainen of South Paris.

Phelps and Joan Poland had their family tree at their home with about 15 attending. A buffet lunch was also served. Jo-Anne and Scott Southard of Missouri spent the Christmas holiday with the family in West Paris. Everyone had a good time.

Tommy Poland had an early Christmas the Saturday before the holiday with her family at Judy and Dave Brown's home in Bethel. The whole family of 30 members attended.

Murrill and Elizabeth Blazier traveled for Christmas and spent overnight at their son Jim and Beverly Goff's home in Saco. Their other two sons, Bill Goff and family from Rumford, and Larry Goff and family from Bridgton, joined them for Christmas, also. Elizabeth said it was good to be all together.

Our son, Rick Wing and wife, Sally, along with Ryan Wing, Doug Wing, and Troy Smith joined us for the tree Christmas Eve. Christmas night Richard and I went to our daughter Kellie Record's in South Paris for the holiday. Those attending were Kellie and Brad Record, Linsey Record, Sarah Lynch, Phil Lynch, Zach Lynch, Jessie Hart and Kyle Komulainen. It was snowing real hard so we left a little early to get home. We received many nice and useful gifts.

We wish everyone a happy and

peaceful New Year.

Quote of the Week: "I've learned to hang up if someone puts you on hold to take a call waiting."

### Greenwood City



by  
Rena Curtis

Another week has gone. Saturday, my great grandsons, Jason Curtis of Norway and

William Curtis from town, came to see me. Also my grandson, Albert Curtis Jr. and my son, Carl Curtis from town, my niece, Kathy Littlehale from Andover, my son, Walter and his wife, Laurie from Kingsbury came. Of course I enjoyed them all.

I went to Freeport Tuesday to be with my two daughters and families for Christmas. We had a good crowd and a lot of gifts for the children. There were 25 there.

I stayed down to Freeport longer than I intended due to the storm. We had a foot or better of snow down there.

That's it for this week, as I couldn't get in contact with others. Will catch up next week. Have a good week and keep well.

### West Paris



by  
Miriam Inman

The winners of the Library raffle held recently were: Brenda Swan, the afghan; Betty Kane, the balsam, pillow; Susan Lyons, the Yankee Candle; and Leo Breton, the Christmas books.

Wendy Lamb and Bill Hayes from Rinton, Ga., arrived on Friday, the 20th, to spend Christmas with her mother, Joyce Lamb. The gathering there for Christmas were Ken Lamb and children, Catherine, Carolyn, Cyle, Caleb and Kenne; Allen and Myrna Lamb, Aaron and Amber from Sterling, Mass.; Peggy Lamb and Mike Seaton. They all

enjoyed Christmas dinner together. All the children have returned to their homes.

Peg and Joe Perham have returned after spending a week in Las Vegas.

Vance and Connie Bacon joined a party of 27 at the home of her sister, Doris, and husband, Tony Albert in Lewiston. It must have been a busy place, but fun.

On Christmas Eve, Beverly and Vince Stevens had their daughter Ann, Stacey and Darcy; Dustin Tilley; Frank Goulding; Lee Dean; and Georgine Thayer for their Christmas tree. On Christmas morning, they had Bruce and Flora Thayer, Florine Lawrence, Ann, Stacey, Darcy, Dustin, Lee Dean and Georgine Thayer for breakfast. Christmas afternoon, Vince and Beverly enjoyed a Christmas supper in New Gloucester with Vince's family, the Stevens.

There were 12 for dinner and tree at Ginny and Bill Aridas' on Christmas, with Sandy, Vicki, Brant and Caroline Sanborn; Walter, Kim, Vernon and Walter, Jr. Inman; and Vern and I. It was a great day. We received Christmas greetings from Marshall in Alaska.

Georgine Thayer will celebrate her 92nd birthday on Jan. 2. Hope she has a wonderful day. Happy Birthday.

### East Stoneham



by  
Eleanor Nelson

Hi readers. What a busy last two weeks.

On Dec. 11, I believe, there

was a Christmas program for the community children of town. Some people didn't know about it, but guess there was a good turnout of children and parents, and they all had a good time with a potluck supper and gifts.

Dale and Kitty Nelson and Susan and Steven Fox are at home now after a cruise on a Carnival ship for several days. They all had a real good time celebrating their anniversaries. It's always good to get back home, though.

On Dec. 17, several members of the Planning Board met to discuss several permits in town.

On Dec. 18, nine members of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Hannah F. Richardson Tent 19 met at the home of Joyce Guin for a supper of beef stew and corn chowder, etc., and then had a meeting and exchange of gifts by the pretty Christmas tree. A report was made on the sale of cookies, hot coffee and hot chocolate during the Oxford Hills Christmas parade. The next meeting will be Jan. 22 at the home of Eleanor Smith at Watertown Acres.

Molly and Matthew Nelson are at home for vacation from their college studies in the Boston area. They came out and decorated it. Thanks Molly and Matt and Dale. What a big help they are to me.

Sharon and Howard Berman and Nawal from Arlington, Mass., came to visit her parents, the Albert

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Nelsons, and had rooms at Evergreen Valley Inn and spent Christmas with us. There were 14 of us at the home of Carole and Albert Nelson Jr. for dinner Christmas Day. We had exchange of gifts and dessert here. We did have a white Christmas after all, didn't we?

Shirley Grant from Mechanic Falls spent the Christmas holidays with Frances Grant.

Christmas Eve candlelight service was nice, as usual, at Stoneham Church. The special music also adds a lot to the service. I think every seat was full. Isn't that great? Remember Sunday worship is 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Church during the winter, and also Sunday School.

## Albany



by Sheila Dyke  
New Year's greetings from Albany Township. It is now the year 2003 (as if you

needed us to tell you that). New Year's is usually looked upon as a time for new beginnings, renewal, reflection, and resolutions. We hope that everyone finds the renewal that they seek in the coming new year.

The Albany church's organist, Edna York, has been ill for the past few days. Ginny Walker was kind enough to fill in for her for Sunday's services. We all appreciate Ginny's time given, and thank her very much. We hope that Edna will be improving quickly, as we all missed her very much on Sunday. The younger children made get well cards for her during Sunday School, and Pastor Gammon was kind enough to deliver them for the children.

Bible Study will be held on Thursday beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Fernand and Holle Corriveau. We missed last week's study, but believe we are still in the book of Proverbs. Thank you to Fernand and Holle for allowing us to invade their home once a week. We appreciate their time, effort, hospitality and friendship.

Youth Group will be meeting this Friday beginning at 5 p.m. with the little ones, and the older kids arriving at 6. The kids will be rehearsing songs starting at 6 p.m. We will be going over songs we already know, but they will be different as we (finally) have music to go with them. We hope that a couple of

familiar faces will be in attendance at the meeting.

The Youth Group will be holding its bake sale at the IGA (Food Liner) on Saturday, Jan. 4, starting at 10 a.m. and going until about 2 p.m. We hope to see you there and especially hope that you will purchase some of the home-baked goodies that will be offered for sale.

Next Sunday will be communion Sunday. Sunday School begins at 9 a.m., but there will not be any daycare, as we have the little ones attend communion Sunday with us. Services begin at 9:30.

We offer you our very best prayers and wishes for the coming New Year. May it be the time of renewal we all seem to need from time to time. God Bless and keep you in the hollow of his hand.

## From the

## Bethel Rotary Club

Save your bottles and cans. Rotary District 7780 has a great opportunity to raise money for two great causes: Polio Eradication and Maine Mentoring Partners (MMP). On Jan. 4 and 5, the district together with Interact clubs and MMP will join with Seltzer and Rydholm/Pepsi, WGME-TV 13, and Shaw's to have a two-day bottle redemption drive. Additional help will come from the Boy Scouts.

Locally, the idea is simple. Redeemables will be accepted in the Rite-Aid parking lot from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day, Saturday and Sunday. Arrangements for pick-ups can be made by calling Bob Lax at 824-4500. One-hundred percent of the funds will go to the above named Rotary charities.

This week in Rotary, member Dan Patte gave his classification talk. Dan's classification is banking/branch manager. Dan's background in the Bethel area takes him from bartender to branch bank manager.

Dan graduated from Central Connecticut University in 1978 and proceeded to work in banking. During the crash in the 1980s, he found himself bartending.

When Dan came to Maine in 1992, he came to ski for a year. Well, he has been here ever since. He returned to banking at Northeast Bank as a mortgage originator and when the former branch manager resigned, he became the Bethel branch manager.

Dan and his wife, Susan, live in

Rumford, close to the Bethel line. Many thanks to member Jim Mann of Mt. Mann. This week's meeting, Jim graciously donated three items for auction with 50 percent of the proceeds going to Rotary's Polio Eradication program. These items were over \$125 each in retail. Many thanks, Jim, for your generosity.

Tickets are still available for the Sk Day to Eliminate Polio. Sunday River Resort will offer Rotarians and their invited guests a day of skiing to benefit Rotary's International Polio Eradication Campaign. Tickets must be ordered in advance and purchased through a Rotarian or Rotary Club by Friday, Jan. 10. Tickets are \$40 each and will be good only for Friday, Jan. 24, 2003. Sunday River will be contributing 100 percent of the ticket price to the Polio eradication effort. For more information, please contact Cynthia Moran-Laux or Dave Preble.

The Rotary Club of Bethel meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. at the Bethel Inn and Country Club.

## From the

## Bethel Water District

Frost had reached a depth of three feet by Dec. 11. This is two weeks earlier than last year. The current ground temperatures are: 3°/31°F, 4°/34°F, 5°/36°F, 6°/38°F, and water temperature is 37°F. There have been no freeze-ups in our lines.

One customer did have a problem in the basement during the coldest days when wind found an opening near pipes that run by a window.

Another certain problem was averted when Water District personnel found an open cellar window at an unoccupied home this fall.

New homeowners in this area may not be used to temperatures as low as we get here. Some preventative measures homeowners may take are: close windows near the pipes; put heat tapes on pipes in crawl spaces (especially under trailers); caulk around the pipe where it comes through the wall; open doors under sinks on extremely cold nights.

Hardware stores have insulation for inside water pipes that is easy to put on.

If homeowners take a flashlight to go into their cellars during the day, without the lights on they can

see any daylight around the foundation where the wind can make an entrance.

Best wishes for the New Year.

## From the

## Oxford County Democrats

The Oxford County Democrats held a Volunteer Recognition Supper at the Eagles Hall in Rumford on Dec. 12 with 80 in attendance.

State Senator Bruce Bryant, Repre-

sentative John Patrick, Repre-

sentative Rosita Gagne, and candidates

Shirley Powell and Marlee Turner

offered remarks about their cam-

paigns and thanked the many vol-

unteers who assisted in their ef-

forts. County Chairperson Cathy

Newell spoke on behalf of the can-

didates unable to be present,

including Lynn Baker, Margaret

Reimer, Jim Theriault and Ron

Hemingway. She presented gifts

from the County Committee to the

candidates present and extended

special recognition to Rumford

Field Office Manager Pam Pace,

Fryeburg Field Office Manager

Myra Bethell and Coordinated

Campaign staffers Adam Thomp-

son and Kim Sequoia. An excellent

potluck supper was enjoyed, as

were socializing and games.

Oxford County was fully repre-

sented at the December meeting of

the Democratic State Committee on

Dec. 15 in Augusta, with Repre-

sentative John Patrick, India

Haynes, Roger Green and Cathy

Newell attending. Governor-elect

John Baldacci and Congress-

man-elect Mike Michaud attended

the celebratory lunch and meeting,

and Barbara Raths, who headed up the

Democratic Coordinated Cam-

paigns in 2000 and 2002, was

elected to the position of State De-

mocratic Party chairperson.

County Chairperson Cathy Newell

is serving on the Inaugural Com-

mittee for Governor-elect John

Baldacci. The Inauguration will be

held on Wednesday, Jan. 8, and the

Inaugural Gala on Thursday, Jan. 9.

On Saturday, Jan. 11, there will be

a public Open House at the Blaine

House. Musical groups from Frye-

burg Academy and Oxford Hills

Comprehensive High School have

been selected to perform during the

festivities.

The next meeting of the Oxford

County Democrats will be held on

Thursday, Jan. 16 at 6 p.m. at Tel-

star Regional High School in Be-

thel.

## From the

## Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

The staff and Board of Directors of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce would like to wish everyone the happiest of holidays and a healthy and prosperous 2003.

We would like to welcome sev-

eral new members: Moose Crossing, a beautiful, brand new one-

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Another new member is Deepwood Farm, located in Albany, which offers horseback riding, summer camp experiences and lessons. Diane and Wyatt Ward are the owners and can be contacted at

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We have a couple exciting events coming up in January that we invite our members and friends to attend. On Wednesday, Jan. 15, from 10 a.m. to noon, the chamber's Marketing Committee is hosting a "Packaging Seminar" at the Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River.

This is a free session, where a staff member from the Maine Office of Tourism will do a brief introduction on the trends in the tourism industry showing that "packages" are becoming more and more popular all the time among the traveling public. We will provide hands-on help to our members from the hospitality industry to help them develop and price packages. For more information, call the chamber office.

On Thursday, Jan. 16, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Paul and Vicki Perrault, from Kit 'N Kaboodle on Route 26 in Woodstock, invite you to an Open House/Business After Hours. Food, drink and fun will be the order of the evening, so put the date on your calendars and plan to attend.

Plans are well underway for the 2003 Bethel WinterFest, scheduled from Friday, Jan. 31, to Sunday, Feb. 9. The 3rd annual Antique Snowmobile Show, Grooming Rodeo and Radar Run will be held at the Bethel Airport on Feb. 1 and 2, sponsored by Oxford Networks. Vendor opportunities are available.

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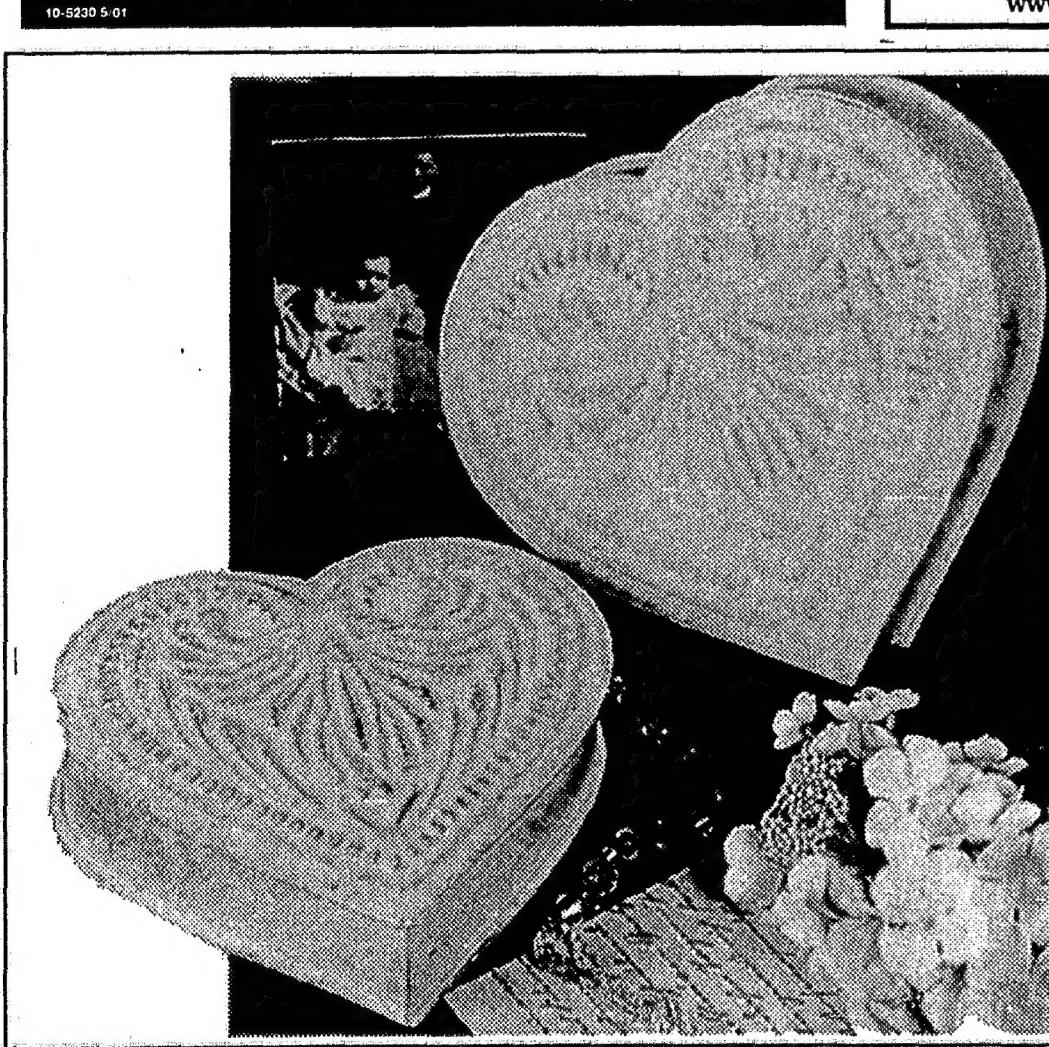
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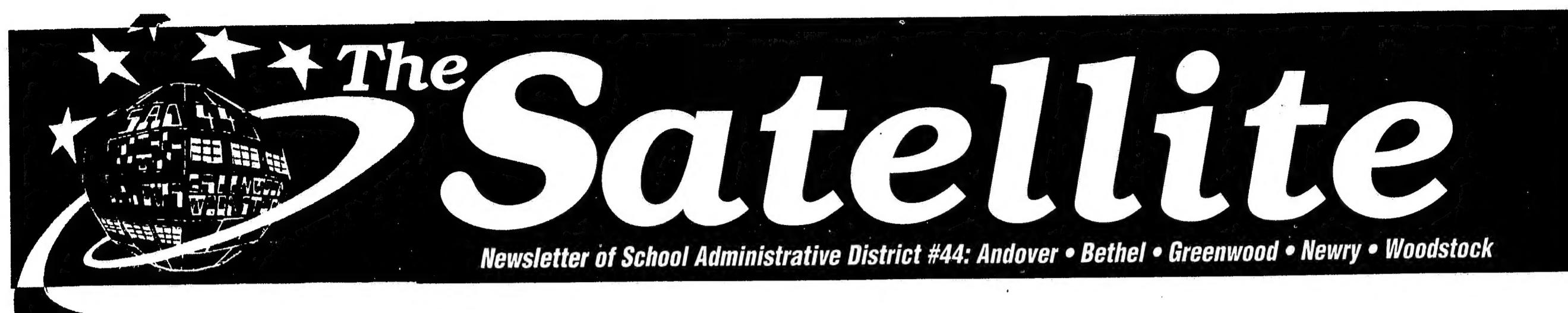
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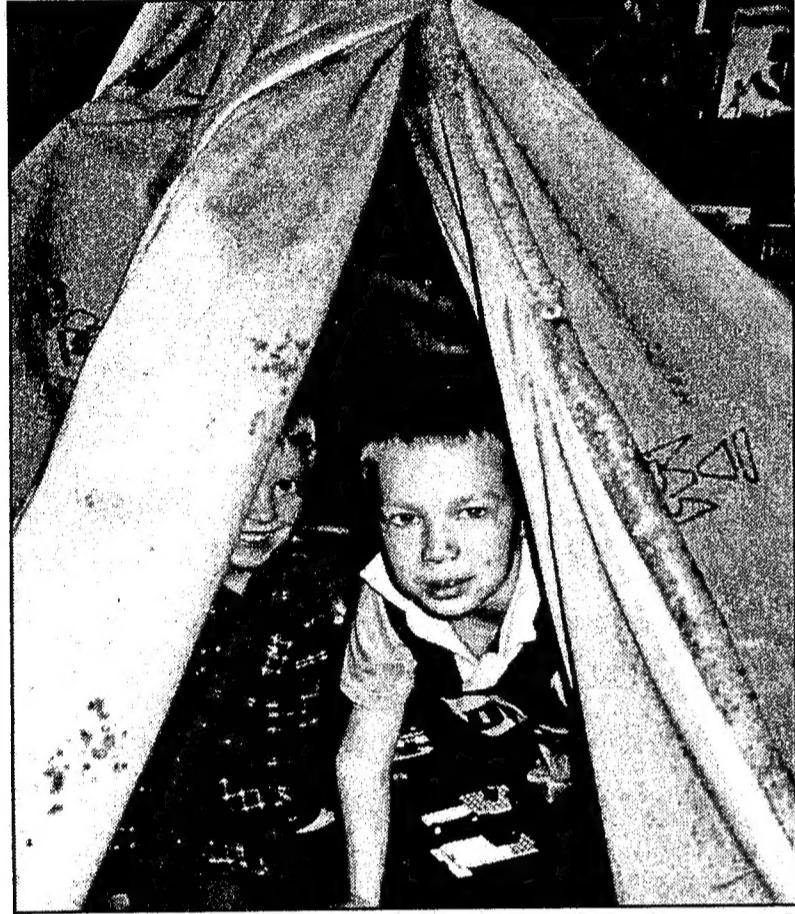
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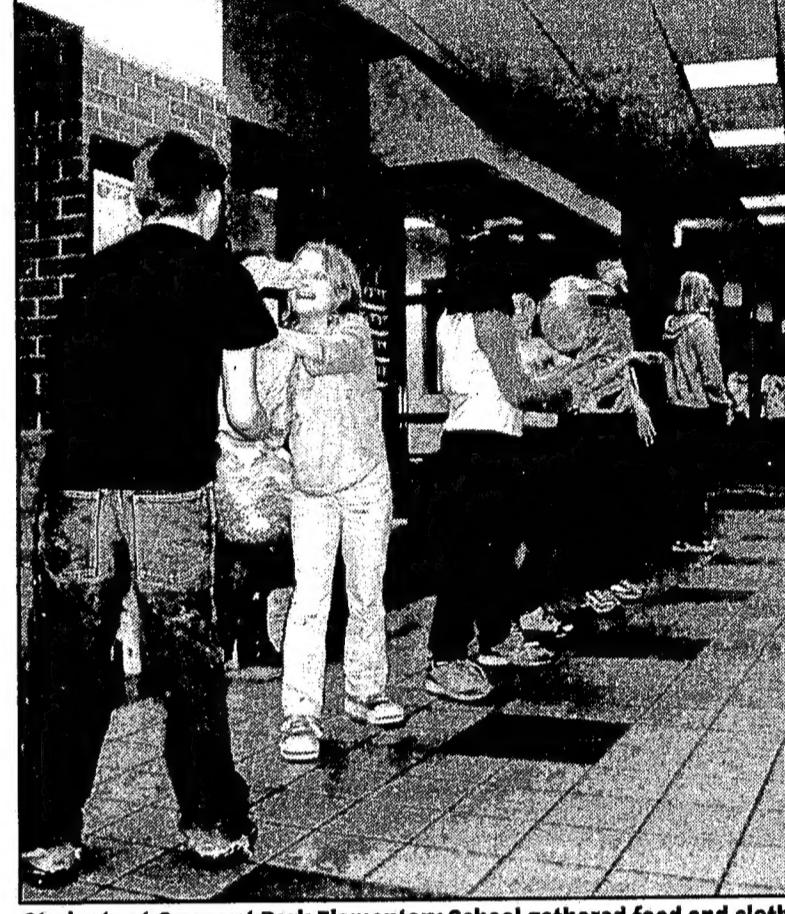
It has been a very busy December here at Crescent Park School!



Kindergarteners Gregory Wheeler and Malcom Seamans enjoy some choice time as they construct Lego models inside the class teepee.



These Crescent Park students enjoy working on individual levels as they read and write in their own book boxes.



Students at Crescent Park Elementary School gathered food and clothing to donate to the District Exchange in Bethel. On Friday, they formed a symbolic "human chain" to transfer the bags of items to a truck outside the school, for transportation to the Exchange. The chain had originally been planned to reach from the school to the Exchange location, but bad weather forced the change of plans. Instead, the students wound their chain through the hallways of the school.



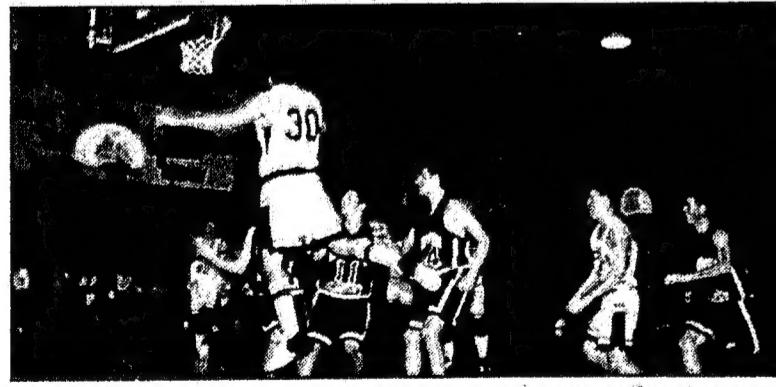
With the help of many parent volunteers, kindergarten students in Mrs. Sabin's class completed and submitted their poster contest entries to the Secretary of State in Augusta recently. The theme, official Maine symbols, led students to visit the web site [www.state.me.us/sos/kids](http://www.state.me.us/sos/kids) where they obtained useful information on this subject.

## Telstar High School Field Hockey Players Named to All-State Team



**All-State:**  
Heather Zimmerman and Ashley Stambolis were recently named to the Maine Field Hockey All-State team. Both girls attended a banquet at the Augusta Civic Center recognizing their achievements. Members of the All-State team are selected through a voting process held by all the coaches in the state. There will be an East-West All-Star charity game held in July for the selected seniors to play in.

## Telstar High School Happenings



The winter sports seasons are underway for teams at Telstar high and middle schools. Here, Telstar High School varsity player August Reiss (30) launches a pass over the heads of Monmouth Academy players. The Rebels won, 73-42.



Students in sophomore biology classes familiarize themselves with microscopes. Pictured above are Jen Cox, Jessica Smith (back to), Will Caswell, Jeff Benson, Josh Taylor and Brock Merrill.



Ryan Merchant and Nik Bennett work on their microscope lab in biology class. Students are reviewing the scopes as they prepare to investigate the microscopic world that surrounds them.

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## SCHOOL LUNCHES: WEEK OF JAN. 6

## SAD44 Elementary/Middle/High Breakfast Program

Breakfast for elementary schools and Telstar Regional High School will be choices every day.

## SAD44 Middle/High Lunch Program

Monday: Chicken patty/hb bun, choice of: ham and cheese roll, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hamburger/bun, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Tuesday: Hot dog/bun, baked beans, choice of: beef ravioli, chicken patty, hamburger/bun, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Wednesday: Pizza stix, choice of: hot dog/bun, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hamburger/bun, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Thursday: Cheeseburger/macaroni, garden peas, assorted fruit juice, choice of: chicken patty, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hamburger/bun, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Friday: Taco with fixins, assorted fruit juice, green beans, choice of: pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, fishwich, hamburger/bun, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

## SAD44 Elementary Lunch Program

Monday: Chicken patty/hb bun, a/sorted fruit juice, choice of: beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Tuesday: Hot dog, baked beans, bread, choice of: beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Wednesday: Pizza stix, kernel corn, choice of: beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Thursday: Cheeseburger/macaroni, garden peas, assorted fruit juice, choice of: beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Friday: Taco with fixins, green beans, choice of: beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

## Oxford Hills High School Lunch

Monday: Hot dog/roll, baked beans, cole slaw, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburger in gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: French toast sticks w/syrup, hash browns, sausage patty, orange, milk.

Thursday: Pizza sticks, whole kernel corn, bread/butter, salad bar, fruit, milk.

Friday: Ham and cheese sandwich, cuke coins, pretzels, fruit, milk.

## Oxford Hills Middle School Lunch

Monday: Ham and cheese on w/w or tuna salad on w/w, tacco chips, milk.

Tuesday: Ham Italian or vegetarian sub, fat free pretzels, milk.

Wednesday: Hot ham and cheese or steakum w/cheese/bun, potato wedges, milk.

Thursday: Bacon cheeseburger/bun or chicken patty/bun, potato puffs, milk.

Friday: Mexican tacos w/veggies, animal cookies, potato wedges, milk.

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## School Sports

## High School Boys' J.V. Basketball

Telstar 78; Livermore Falls 56; Dec. 21-Telstar scorers: Sean Caddigan 25, Josh Longway 11, Kevin Zinchuk 11, August Reiss 9, Chris Estes 6, Alex Best 6, Alex Helms 6, Matt Mills 4. Telstar used an effective full court press to jump out to 51-34 half-time lead and never looked back. "Solid full court pressure sealed this game as the boys controlled the tempo throughout the game," said coach Alec Newell.

Telstar 63, Mt. Abram 36; Dec. 18-Telstar scorers: Sean Caddigan 36, Josh Longway 10, Curtis Hughes 4, Kevin Zinchuk 4, Nathan Walker 4, Stephen McDonnell 2, Casey Ryerson 2, Alex Helms 2. Sean Caddigan scored 17 of his 36 points in the fourth quarter to help Telstar pull away from Mt Abram. The team used effective full court pressure and excellent half court defense in the win. "Sean played a great game offensively and the whole team played great defense. A solid effort," said coach Alec Newell.

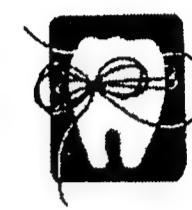
**CORRECTION**  
Witt on snowboard team—An article in last week's Citizen pre-viewing Telstar winter sports teams should have included freshman Eddie Witt on the roster.



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# Television Listings

**THURSDAY EVENING JANUARY 2, 2003**

|      | 7:00                    | 7:30   | 8:00  | 8:30                                    | 9:00                                      | 9:30                   | 10:00        | 10:30        | 11:00 | 11:30 |
|------|-------------------------|--|---|---|---|------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------|-------|
| (3)  | '70s Show               | '70s Show  | WWE Smackdown!  |   | News                                      | Frasier                | Frasier      | Ent. Tonight |       |       |
| (32) | 7th Heaven              |  | Movie: "Joe Versus the Volcano"                               |   | Bachelor                                  |                        | 700 Club     |              |       |       |
| (6)  | Hollywood               | Seinfeld   | Friends   | Scrubs                                  | Will-Grace                                | Good Mrn               | ER           | News         |       |       |
| (8)  | Fortune                 | Jeopardy!  | College Football: Orange Bowl -- Iowa vs. Southern California |   |   |                        |              | News         |       |       |
| (10) | News-Lehrer             | Maine  | Made In   | Frontline                               |   | Concerto               | Charlie Rose |              |       |       |
| (22) | Sportsctr.              | College Basketball: N.C. St. at Mass.            |   | Women's Gymnastics: World Championships |   |                        | Sportsctr.   |              |       |       |
| (34) | Real TV                 | Real TV  | Star Trek: Next Gener.  | Movie: "Showgirls"                      |   | Star Trek: Next Gener. |              |              |       |       |
| (13) | Friends                 | Ent. Tonight                                     | CSI: Crime Scn  | CSI: Crime Scn                          | Without a Trace                           |                        | News         |              |       |       |
| (41) | Tailgate                | Last Word  | Best Damn Sports Show Period                                  | See This                                | College Basketball: Ariz. St. at Ore. St. |                        |              |              |       |       |
| (15) | "Captain Ron" Cont'd    | Inside the NFL                                   | Movie: "Exit Wounds"  |   | First Look                                | Hookers & Johns: Trick |              |              |       |       |
| (17) | Sister, Sis. Lizzie     | Movie: "The Thirteenth Year"                     | Teamo   | Even                                    | Sister, Sis.                              | Boy World              | Boy World    |              |       |       |
| (18) | "Vertical Limit" Cont'd | Movie: "The Crow"                                |   | Movie: "Hot Shots! Part Deux"           |   | Pleasure               |              |              |       |       |
| (20) | Innerview               | College Basketball: Providence at Boston College | College Basketball: Wisconsin at Temple                       |   |   |                        | ESPNNews     |              |       |       |
| (44) | Nanny                   | Unsolved Mysteries                               | Movie: "Before He Wakes"                                      |   | Golden                                    | Golden                 |              |              |       |       |
| (5)  | Friends                 | Seinfeld   | Movie: "Gossip"   |   | Movie: "Copycat"                          |                        |              |              |       |       |
| (24) | Hey Arnold!             | Rugrats  | Sponge  | Ginger                                  | Cosby                                     | Cosby                  | Cheers       | Coach        | Coach |       |
| (25) | "The Last Hard Men"     | Movie: "Chain Reaction"                          |   | Movie: "The Poseidon Adventure"         |   |                        |              |              |       |       |
| (26) | JAG                     | Nash Bridges                                     | Movie: "Black Dog"  |   | JAG                                       |                        |              |              |       |       |
| (27) | American Justice        | Biography  | Movie: "Columbo: Butterfly in Shades of Grey"                 |   | Third Watch                               |                        |              |              |       |       |
| (12) | Home Imp.               | Will-Grace                                       | Movie: "In the Heat of the Night: By Duty Bound"              | News                                    | Justice                                   | Heat                   |              |              |       |       |
| (39) | Crossfire               | Connie Chung Tonight                             | Larry King Live   | Newsnight-Aaron Brown                   | Chung                                     | Moneyline              |              |              |       |       |

**FRIDAY EVENING JANUARY 3, 2003**

|      | 7:00                   | 7:30   | 8:00   | 8:30                              | 9:00                    | 9:30                   | 10:00    | 10:30                | 11:00  | 11:30  |
|------|------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------|----------------------|--------|--------|
| (3)  | '70s Show              | '70s Show  | Movie: "Gun Shy"   |                                   | News                    | Frasier                | Frasier  | Ent. Tonight         |        |        |
| (32) | 7th Heaven             | 7th Heaven   | Bachelor   |                                   | Bachelor: Tell          |                        | 700 Club |                      |        |        |
| (6)  | Hollywood              | Seinfeld   | Dateline   |                                   | Law & Order             | News                   |          |                      |        |        |
| (8)  | Fortune                | Jeopardy!  | College Football: Fiesta Bowl -- Miami vs. Ohio State    |                                   |                         | News                   |          |                      |        |        |
| (10) | News-Lehrer            | Wash Wk  | Wall   | Keeping Up                        | Time Goes               | Neighbors              | One Foot | Now With Bill Moyers |        |        |
| (22) | College Gameday BCS    | NBA Basketball: Portland Trail Blazers at Boston Celtics |  | NBA Basketball: Nuggets at Sonics |                         |                        |          |                      |        |        |
| (34) | Real TV                | Real TV  | Star Trek: Next Gener.                                   | Star Trek: Next Gener.            | Star Trek: Next Gener.  | Star Trek: Next Gener. |          |                      |        |        |
| (13) | Friends                | Ent. Tonight   | 48 Hours Investigates                                    | Hack                              | 48 Hours Investigates   | News                   |          |                      |        |        |
| (41) | Tailgate               | Sports   | NBA Basketball: Portland Trail Blazers at Boston Celtics |                                   | Postgame                | Best Damn Sports Show  |          |                      |        |        |
| (15) | Inside the NFL         | Movie: "Lethal Weapon 3"                                 |  | Oz                                | Arfiss                  | Operative              |          |                      |        |        |
| (17) | Proud                  | Lizzie   | Movie: "George of the Jungle"                            | Movie: "George of the Jungle"     |                         |                        |          |                      |        |        |
| (18) | Just Cause             | Movie: "Riding in Cars With Boys"                        |  | Movie: "Ghosts of Mars"           |                         |                        |          |                      |        |        |
| (20) | NHL Hockey             | Boston Bruins at New York Islanders                      |  | Overtime                          | ESPNNews                | ESPNNews               |          |                      |        |        |
| (44) | Unsolved Mysteries     | Unsolved Mysteries                                       | Movie: "The Advocate's Devil"                            |                                   | Golden                  | Golden                 |          |                      |        |        |
| (5)  | Friends                | Seinfeld   | Movie: "Lionheart"                                       |                                   | Movie: "Nowhere to Run" |                        |          |                      |        |        |
| (24) | Hey Arnold!            | Rugrats  | Sponge   | Jimmy                             | Oddparents              | Oddparents             | Cosby    | Cosby                | Cheers | Cheers |
| (25) | The Poseidon Adventure | Movie: "Smokey and the Bandit II"                        |  | Access                            | Stunts                  | Crypt Tales            | Empire   |                      |        |        |
| (26) | JAG                    | Movie: "Hitched"   |  | Monk                              |                         | Law & Order            |          |                      |        |        |
| (27) | "Starting Over" Cont'd | Biography  | Movie: "No Mercy"  |                                   | Third Watch             |                        |          |                      |        |        |
| (12) | Home Imp.              | Will-Grace   | Movie: "In the Heat of the Night: Grow Old With Me"      | News                              | Justice                 | Heat                   |          |                      |        |        |
| (39) | Crossfire              | Connie Chung Tonight                                     | Larry King Live  | Newsnight-Aaron Brown             | Chung                   | Moneyline              |          |                      |        |        |

**SATURDAY EVENING JANUARY 4, 2003**

|      | 7:00                         | 7:30  | 8:00  | 8:30   | 9:00                | 9:30             | 10:00                 | 10:30 | 11:00  | 11:30  |
|------|------------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| (3)  | Fortune                      | Jeopardy!                                   | Movie: "U-Turn"   |  | News                | Sanders          | Entertainment Tonight |       |        |        |
| (32) | "Two of Hearts" Cont'd       | Bachelor                                    | Tell  | Bachelor   |                     | Bachelor         |                       |       |        |        |
| (6)  | Maine                        | Seinfeld                                    | Dateline  | Movie: "Twister"                                     |                     | News             | Sat. Night            |       |        |        |
| (8)  | Football                     | Pregame                                     | NFL Football Playoffs: AFC or NFC Wildcard -- Teams to Be Announced |  | News                | Practice         |                       |       |        |        |
| (10) | Made In                      | Wildlife                                    | Masterpiece Theatre   | Masterpiece Theatre                                  | Masterpiece Theatre | Red Green        | Red Green             |       |        |        |
| (22) | College Basketball           | North Carolina at Miami                     | College Basketball: Michigan State at Oklahoma                      |  | Sportscenter        |                  |                       |       |        |        |
| (34) | American Gladiators          | SlamBall                                    | Robot Wars: Extreme   | WWE Velocity   |                     | WWE Confidential |                       |       |        |        |
| (13) | Children's Hospital          | Touched by an Angel                         | District  | Agency   |                     | News             | Andromeda             |       |        |        |
| (41) | College Hockey               | Boston University at Northeastern           |   | Tailgate   | NFL Show            |                  |                       |       |        |        |
| (15) | "Fools Rush In" Cont'd       | Movie: "A Beautiful Mind"                   |   | Robin Williams: Live on Broadway                     |                     |                  |                       |       |        |        |
| (17) | Proud                        | Lizzie                                      | Movie: "Gotta Kick It Up"   | Movie: "The Paper Brigade"                           |                     | Lizzie           |                       |       |        |        |
| (18) | Movie: "The Net" Cont'd      | Movie: "The Wedding Planner"                |   | Movie: "The Last Castle"                             |                     |                  |                       |       |        |        |
| (20) | NHL Hockey                   | Carolina Hurricanes at Boston Bruins        |   | Overtime   | ESPNNews            | ESPNNews         |                       |       |        |        |
| (44) | Movie: "Hands of a Stranger" |   |   | For the People                                       |                     |                  |                       |       |        |        |
| (5)  | Movie: "Sniper"              |   | Movie: "Ronin"  |  | Above Lw            |                  |                       |       |        |        |
| (24) | Jimmy                        | Oddparents                                  | All That  | Nick   | Amanda              | Skeeter          | Cosby                 | Cosby | Cheers | Cheers |
| (25) | "Bandolero" Cont'd           | Movie: "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" |   | Movie: "Raiders of the Lost Ark"                     |                     |                  |                       |       |        |        |
| (26) | Movie: "8MM" Cont'd          |   | Movie: "The Siege"  |  | JAG                 |                  |                       |       |        |        |
| (27) | American Justice             | Cold Case Files                             | Crossing Jordan   | Third Watch  | Hollywood Reality   |                  |                       |       |        |        |
| (12) | HappyDay                     | HappyDay                                    | Fresh Pr.   | NBA Basketball: Cleveland Cavaliers at Chicago Bulls | News                | Evening          |                       |       |        |        |
| (39) | Capital Gang                 | CNN Presents                                | Larry King Weekend  | CNN Saturday Night                                   | Capital Gang        |                  |                       |       |        |        |

**SUNDAY EVENING JANUARY 5, 2003**

|      | 7:00   | 7:30                                | 8:00                       | 8:30   | 9:00                  | 9:30              | 10:00    | 10:30   | 11:00 | 11:30 |
|------|--|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------|----------|---------|-------|-------|
| (3)  | "True Crime" Cont'd                            | Movie: "Mississippi Burning"        |                            | Sanders  | '70s Show             | Hot Ticket        |          |         |       |       |
| (32) | "Best Friends" Cont'd                          | Movie: "The Object of My Affection" |                            | Movie: "Picture Perfect"                                     |                       |                   |          |         |       |       |
| (6)  | Dateline                                       | American Dreams                     | Law & Order                | Boontown   | News                  | Hot Ticket        |          |         |       |       |
| (8)  | Movie: "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" | Alias                               | Practice                   |  | News                  | Buffy             |          |         |       |       |
| (10) | Monarch of the Glen                            | Nature                              | Masterpiece Theatre        |  | Concerto              | To Conify         | Religion |         |       |       |
| (22) | Gymnastics                                     | Sportsctr.                          | NFL                        | NHL Hockey: Stars at Mighty Ducks or Red Wings at Blackhawks |                       | Sportscenter      |          |         |       |       |
| (34) | Star Trek: Next Gener.                         | Star Trek: Next Gener.              | Oblivious                  | Taboo  | Ultimate              | Oblivious         | Real TV  | Real TV |       |       |
| (13) | 60 Minutes                                     | Becker                              | King                       | The Crooked E: The Unshredded Truth About Enron              | News                  | Friends           |          |         |       |       |
| (41) | College Hockey                                 | Northeastern at Boston University   |                            | Best Damn Sports Show  | Beyond the Glory      |                   |          |         |       |       |
| (15) | "Hysterical Blindness"                         | Sex & City                          | Sex & City                 | Oz   | Iceman-Psych.         | "The Glass House" |          |         |       |       |
| (17) | Proud  | Lizzie                              | Movie: "Miracle in Lane 2" | Movie: "Genius"  |                       | Proud             |          |         |       |       |
| (18) | Movie: "Double Tap"                            |                                     | Movie: "The Forsaken"      |  | Movie: "Forrest Gump" |                   |          |         |       |       |
| (20) | Show Show                                      | Divers                              | Outdoors                   | ESPNNews   | ESPNNews              | ESPNNews          |          |         |       |       |
| (44) | "The Wrong Woman"                              | Division                            | Strong Medicine            | For the People   |                       | Any Day Now       |          |         |       |       |
| (5)  | "Above the Law" Cont'd                         | Movie: "Payback"                    |                            |  |                       |                   |          |         |       |       |

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## The Bethel Citizen

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# Events Calendar

**Public Computer Access** — Hours at the SAD44 Adult Learning Center, Philbrook Street, Bethel are: Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon; Wednesday, 4:30 to 8:30 p.m.; and Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon for academic instruction and GED preparation, as well as use of the computer lab.

**Seniors Lunch** every Tuesday and Thursday, 11:30 a.m., at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, sponsored by SeniorsPlus. Donation for 60 and older and spouses, \$2.50; all other guests, \$4. Reservations important. For information, menus, reservations, call 824-3168 (also the number to call to apply for Meals on Wheels).

9 a.m. (Thursdays) — Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Town and Country Mobile Home Park community center, Norway. All bridge players invited to attend and bring a friend or two. Refreshments. For more information, call Mimi Bell (743-8081) or Rowena Palmer (743-2882) or e-mail bridge@megalink.net

**Thursday, Jan. 2**

**Sunday River Community Fun Day** at White Cap Fun Center. Free lift serviced tubing and ice skating. Call 824-3000 for more information.

**Saturday, Jan. 4**

1 p.m. — Free one-hour guided snowshoe nature hike through woods to Peabody River, sponsored by White Mountain National Forest, Androscoggin Ranger Station. Geared for beginners, kids, and families. FMI: (603)-466-2713.

5:30 p.m. — Public Supper at Bethel Methodist Church. Adults, \$5 and under \$2. \$2.50.

**January 4-5**

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. — Bottle Drive sponsored by Bethel Rotary Club in the Rite Aid parking lot. Proceeds will go to Rotary International's Polio Eradication Program and Maine Mentoring Program. For bottle pickup, call 824-4500.

**Sunday, Jan. 5**

2 p.m. — Tribute to Sinatra, performed by Patrick Tobin, Holyoke, Mass., sponsored by St. Kieran Community Center for the Arts, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. Tickets: \$10 at door. FMI, call (603)-752-1028.

**Monday, Jan. 6**

6 p.m. — Greenwood Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting.

## Support Services

**Abused Women's Advocacy Project**

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

**Alcohol/Drug Treatment**

Gateway Recovery Services—Outpatient counseling services available at Bethel Family Health Center, Mondays and Wednesdays. For info, call 207-743-7580.

**Diabetes Support Group**

The Diabetes Support Group meets on the third Wednesday of each month. The meeting is held from 6:30-7:30pm in the Harper Conference Center in the Ripley Medical Building. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Betty Sirois at 743-5933.

**Exchanges**

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Woodstock 7th Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Summer areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

**Mental Illness Support Group**

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering from mental, emotional or physical illness, provides support, relaxation and socialization. Monday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays or (800) 335-9999 off hours. 928-3222.

**REACH**

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

**Veterans' Services (State/VA Benefits)**

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employ. Sec. Bldg. (364-3718); second and fourth Thursday, 9 to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 200 Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday. location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m. Tel. 392-4841. (new members welcome)

**Library Hours**

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday 1-5 p.m.; Saturday, 9-1 p.m. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 a.m. October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Crescent Park Elementary School: Open every Thursday evening from 6p.m. to 8p.m. to the Public.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: 665-2505. Library hours: Tuesday & Thursday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 12 p.m. and 4 p.m.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. Tel. 674-2004.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story

Upton Library: Saturdays 9a.m. - 11a.m.

**Tuesday, Jan. 7**  
10 a.m. to noon — Western Maine Knitting Guild meeting at Christ Episcopal Church, Norway. Bring your knitting. Video. Anyone interested in knitting is welcome. FMI, call 743-7677 or 674-2314.

**Wednesday, Jan. 8**

11 a.m. — Bethel Senior Citizens Club dinner and meeting at The Sudbury Inn, Bethel. Cost of dinner will be \$7.50.

7 p.m. — Community Forestry: Growing Greener Communities by Tish Carr, Augusta City Arborist (snow date: Jan. 15) sponsored by Mahoosuc Land Trust at the Trustees' Auditorium, McLaughlin Science Center, Gould Academy, Bethel. FMI, call 824-3806.

**Thursday, Jan. 9**

5:30 p.m. — Wallace's Wheels, 485 Prospect Avenue, Rumford, (364-7946) will begin indoor trainer rides for 10 to 12 weeks. Each week the trainer will lead through a workout that lasts from 30 minutes to two hours. Rental trainers are available for a nominal fee, but bring along your own bicycle and sense of humor.

**Friday, Jan. 10**

7 p.m. — Mahoosuc Arts Council's Meet the Artist Series will feature Tim Gallagher, filmmaker at Gould Academy's McLaughlin Science Center. \$2 for students and \$5 for adults at door. Ticket info: call 824-3575. Limited seating.

Noon to 2 p.m. — Father and Child Event. A bowling and pizza party at Oxford Hills Bowling Lanes, South Paris. Pre-register at 824-3459.

**Saturday, Jan. 11**

9 to 12 a.m. — Bottle Drive. Andover Fifth-Grade Class will go door to door collecting bottles to raise funds for their class trip. Bottles can also be picked up at Andover Elementary School Friday evening or early Saturday morning. For more information, call 392-1474.

**Wednesday, Jan. 12**

Wind Valley Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office.

Second Sunday: Western Maine Mountain Trail Mixers ATV Club meets at 6:30pm at Sun Valley Sports, 129 Sunday River Road, Bethel. New members welcome.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 6 to 7 p.m. ST/BBA at Bethel Fire Station.

First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday, 7 p.m., at Bear River Station.

Franklin Grange #124, 7:00p.m., call 674-3046 or 674-3962 for more info.

First Monday: Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17, Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m.

Third and Fourth Monday: Greenwood Comprehensive Planning Committee meets at town office, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for place.

Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs).

First Tuesday: Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Western Maine Knitters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10 a.m. to noon.

First and Third Tuesday: The Greater Rumford CILIANC for the mentally ill and their families.

Family and Friends Network (GRAMI-CAN) support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diana at 369-0542.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

FACTS (Family/Friends And Consumers Together for Support) 6:30-8 p.m. at Ethel Bisbee Adult Learning Center. Contact Rhonda at 824-3076.

Greenwood selectmen meet at Town Office, 5 p.m.

Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Woodstock Selectmen meet at 5 p.m. at Town Office.

Second Tuesday: Mundi-Allein Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m.

Third Tuesday: Clayton Crockett's Club meets at Clayton Crockett's.

Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Second and Fourth Tuesday: The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Rebel Family Restaurant, West Bethel at 6:30p.m.

Third Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 p.m.

Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.

CrossCountry Quilters will meet at the Robinson House or Bethel Library from 9 to 11am except the last Tuesday of each month the meeting will be from 7 to 9pm.

Cub Scout Pack 566 meeting, 6 p.m., at Crescent Park School Cafeteria.

Mollymocket Chorus practice, 6:30-9 p.m. at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Sheepfield Rd., Oxford (Call 824-2468 for info).

First Wednesday: Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Arachnes Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Pollock luncheon.

The Ash-Risley Detachment of the Marine Corps League meets at 6:30pm at the VFW Post #2520, Berlin, NH. All current marines and former Marines are welcome to attend. For more information, please call (603) 237-9395 or (603) 752-3042.

Seasonal only: Every Saturday: Bethel Farmers' Market, Bethel Area Health Center parking lot, 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Locally grown produce and local goods.

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to The Bethel Citizen office, mailed or phoned in at 824-2444.

The deadline is Monday noon.

**Thursday, Jan. 16**

6 p.m. — Oxford County Democrats meeting at Telstar Regional High School in Bethel.

**Friday, Jan. 17**

1 to 6 p.m. — Blood Drive by American Red Cross at Sunday River South Ridge. All donors will receive lift ticket good from April 1-30 (except April 5 and 6). FMI, call the American Red Cross at (800) 482-0743.

**Friday, Jan. 24**

Ski Day to Eliminate Polio at Sunday River Ski Resort to benefit International Polio Eradication Campaign of Rotary International. Tickets: \$40 each through Bethel Rotary Club. FMI, call 824-4500.

**Wednesday, Jan. 29**

7 p.m. — Town of Newry Public Hearing on proposed comprehensive plan update at Bear River Grange Hall.

**Thursday, Jan. 30**

Sunday River Ski Resort's Community Day. Free or discounted prices for skiing, riding, rental equipment, clinics and food. To participate, children's names must be on a district list provided by superintendent's office. FMI, call 824-3000.

**Friday, Jan. 31**

Sunday River Ski Resort's Community Day. Free or discounted prices for skiing, riding, rental equipment, clinics and food. To participate, children's names must be on a district list provided by superintendent's office. FMI, call 824-3000.

**Saturday, Feb. 8**

10th annual Winter Walk Against Violence sponsored by Abused Women's Advocacy Project. Inside Auburn Mall. FMI, call Cindy at 795-6744 ext. 16.

**Sunday, Feb. 9**

Sunday River Ski Resort's Community Day. Free or discounted prices for skiing, riding, rental equipment, clinics and food. To participate, children's names must be on a district list provided by superintendent's office. FMI, call 824-3000.

**Friday, Feb. 28**

7 p.m. — Western Maine Pedalers Bike Club will present Michael Perry of Dreams Unlimited at Wallace's Wheeler, 485 Prospect Avenue, Rumford. Michael and his wife will share some of their experiences from this memorable cross-country ride. Tickets: \$6, at door, \$8. FMI, call 364-2851.

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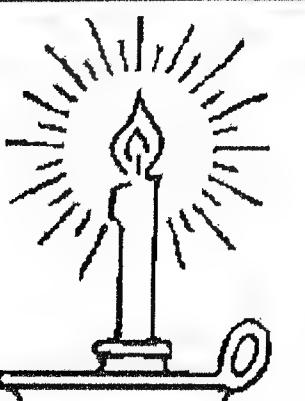
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The 3rd annual Androscoggin River Polar Plunge will once again be held at Bethel Outdoor Adventures at noon on Feb. 1. This event will benefit two great causes this year: the Bethel Fire Department Rescue Boat Fund and the Telstar High School baseball team's spring tournament fundraising effort. If you would like to raise money for either of these two causes, you may pick up a pledge sheet from the chamber office, the Bethel Fire Department, the Telstar baseball team or from Bethel Outdoor Adventure.

We are once again inviting hot-air balloonists to come to Bethel, and they will arrive on Friday, Jan. 31. We expect six to nine balloon teams, and we are looking for a few more accommodations that sleep up to four people. If you can provide this for both Friday, the 31st, and Saturday, the 1st, you will receive a free balloon ride. Call the office for details. The balloonists will attempt four flights, weather permitting and will also do a tethered balloon event Saturday evening from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Bethel Airport. This event is being made possible through the generosity of Federal Distributors, Community Energy, Sunday River Ski Resort, Rentals Unlimited, Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Ski Center, Riverbend Condos, and Jan Iserbyt's Chamberlain Condo. Additional sponsor/donor opportunities are still available.

Chefs from area restaurants will again be carving ice sculptures on

the Bethel Common that will be on display the entire Bethel WinterFest, which will wrap up on the weekend of Feb. 8 and 9.

On Saturday, Feb. 8, the 3rd annual Great Snowbox Derby will once again be held at the Bethel Inn and Country Club, thanks to the generosity of Oxford Networks and Sunday River Ski Resort. Steve Wight and Seabury Lyon are seeking willing adult mentors who are willing to work with teams of third, fourth and fifth graders from Andover, Woodstock and Crescent Park elementary schools. Call Steve Wight if you are interested in helping out, 824-2410.

The Flying Moose Classic Cross Country Ski race is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 9. More details on this event will be forthcoming.

*From the  
Bethel Historical  
Society's Regional  
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A near-record 380 donors have made gifts totaling more than \$20,000 to the 2002 Bethel Historical Society Annual Fund Campaign. The campaign closes on Dec. 31, 2002. Those making recent contributions include: Don and Eleanor Brooks, Bethel; Barbara Patterson, Bethel, in memory of M. Wayne and Larry Patterson; Dillon and Paula Gillies, Bethel; Sarah

**News and photos from clubs and organizations**

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations.

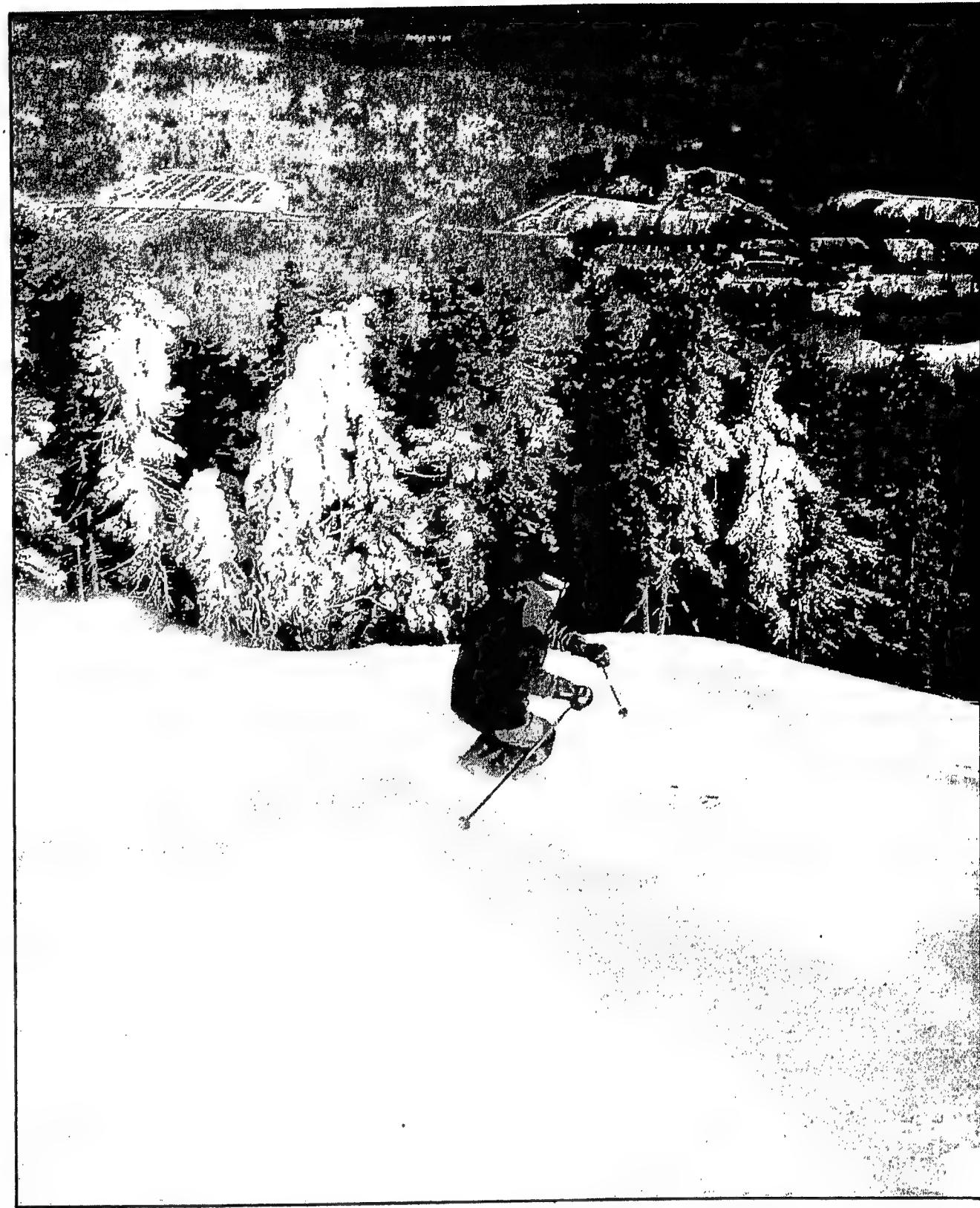
The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of a contact person.

Submissions can be dropped off at The Citizen office (behind the Bethel Town Office) or mailed to P.O. Box 109, Bethel, ME, 04217. During non-business hours, items can be placed in the mailbox outside our office. For further information, call 824-2444. News and photos can also be submitted by e-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

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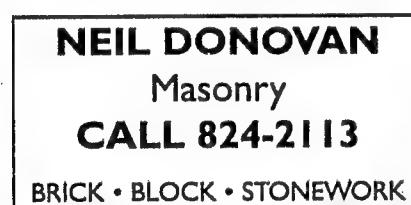
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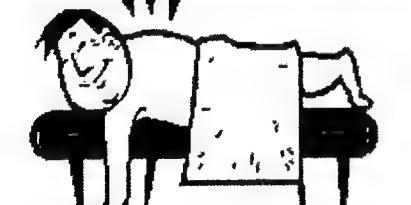
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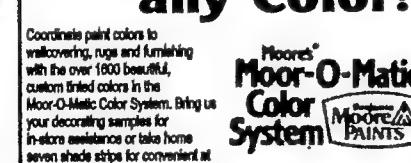
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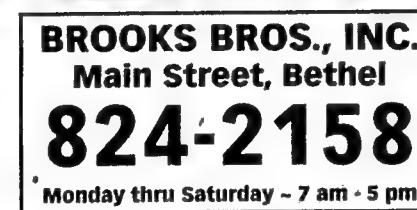
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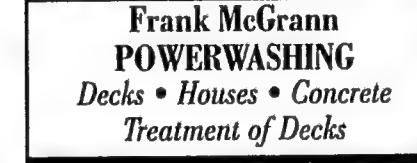
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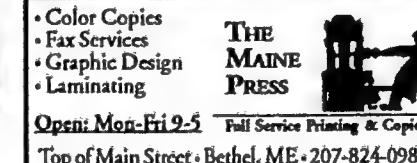


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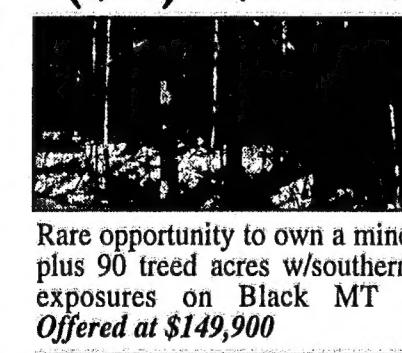
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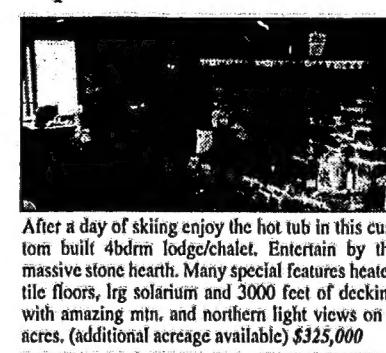
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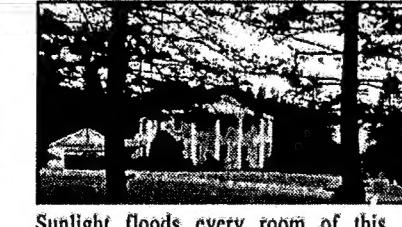
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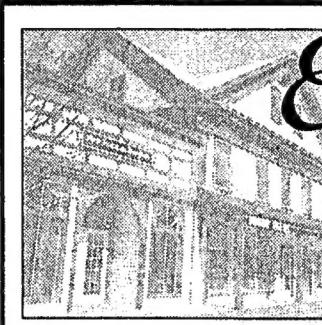


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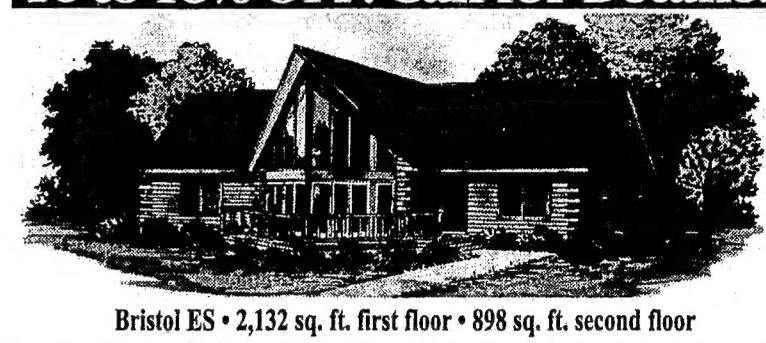


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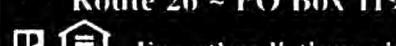
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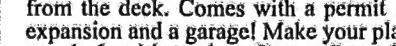
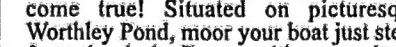
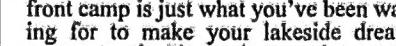
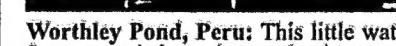
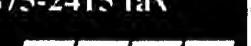
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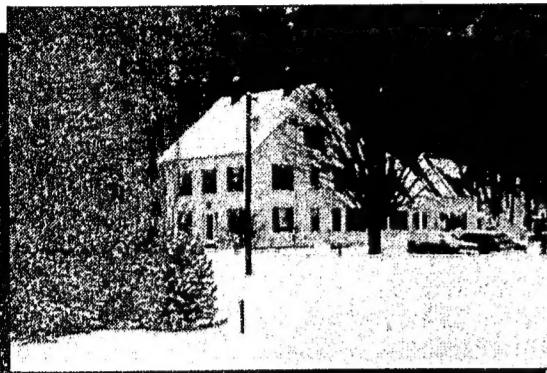


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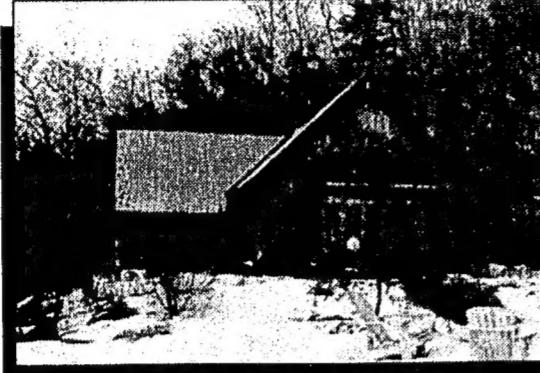
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**CONVENIENT CONTEMPORARY HOME:** Located close to the Village, yet on a nice secluded lot on Paradise Road, this spacious five bedroom home has many fine details. Formal dining room and living room with fireplace, sun room overlooking an above ground pool. Three car oversized garage. Farm pond, nicely landscaped yard. **\$429,000**



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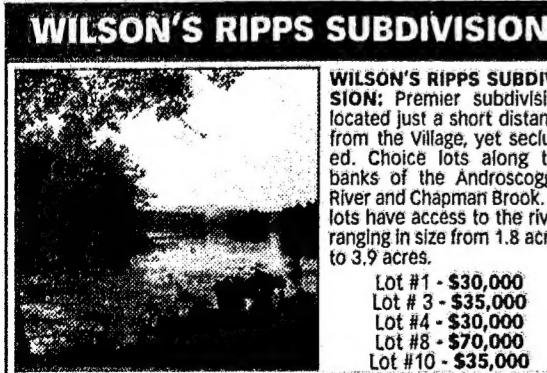
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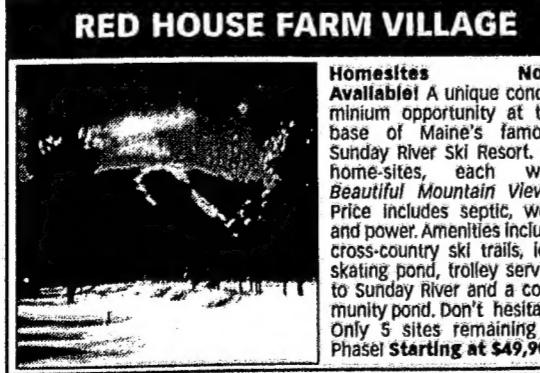


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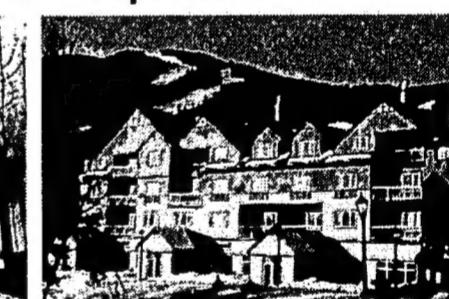
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## Obituaries

### EDWIN C. BUMPUS

Edwin C. Bumpus, 72, a resident of Albany, died Monday, Dec. 23, 2002, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, after a courageous battle with a multitude of illnesses.

He was born in Albany on May 1, 1930, to Harlan and Anne Cummings Bumpus. He attended Albany and Bethel schools and graduated from Gould Academy in 1949.

He married Ava Hutchinson on April 22, 1951, at Albany.

He served 20 years in the U. S. Army, retiring in 1976 at New Sharon where he lived before moving to Albany in 1990.

He loved hunting, target shooting, fishing, gardening and visiting with friends.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years, Ava, of Albany; his daughter, Beth Hard Ford of Albany; two brothers, Arthur Hazelton and his wife Viola of Arcadia, Fla., and Kenneth Bumpus and his wife Lura of Kennebunk; a nephew, Tony Hazelton and his wife Betty of Harrison; a niece, Vickie Underwood of Bridgton; and many cousins and friends. He was predeceased by his parents; and his sister, Ruth Bumpus.

Graveside services will be held in the spring at the East Bethel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Hunts Corner Cemetery Association, c/o Jane Wardwell, 181 Wardwell Road, Albany Township, ME 04217.

### CARL P. JORDAN

Carl Philip Jordan, 75, died Friday, Dec. 20, 2002, in Florida, under the care of hospice.

Born in West Bethel, he moved to Brooksville, Fla., 23 years ago. He retired from the U.S. Navy as senior chief petty officer, after serving 23 years.

He served as post commander of the American Legion in Oxford and was a past member of the Brooksville Elks 2582. He was Protestant by faith.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Hazel; two sons, James P. of Melbourne, Fla., and Donald of Brooksville, Fla.; a daughter, Elaine Brooks of Waynesboro, Pa.; three brothers, Earle of Brooksville, Fla., Sheldon of Sabattus and the Rev. Laurence of Poland; three sisters, June Caldwell of San Jose, Calif., Janice Clark of Auburn and Marlene Crawford of Mechanic Falls; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Burial will be held at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Fla.

### Card of Thanks

The family of Tressa A. Stowell wishes to express their heartfelt thanks for the many expressions of support and sympathy in their recent loss. The cards, food, flowers and telephone calls are much appreciated.

the Stowell Family

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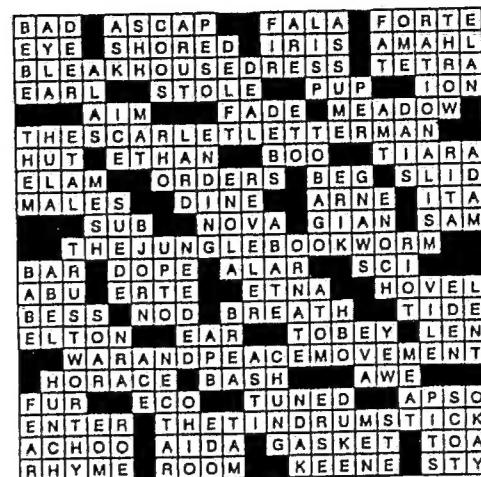
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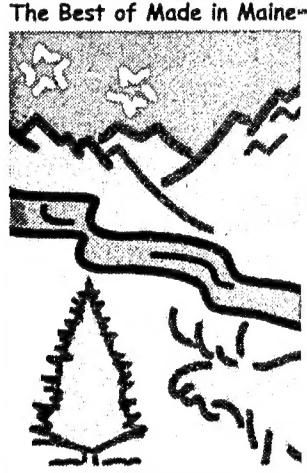
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